

COMPASS

SPIRIT-LED • MISSION-DRIVEN

South Central
Conference
Church Ministries &
Mission
Development
Department



We believe that the South Central Conference Office exists to strengthen and support the mission and ministry of the churches in the South Central Conference. Therefore, the South Central Conference Church Ministries & Mission Development Department exists to assist pastors and their church leaders in leading their churches to become more Spirit-led and Mission-driven. We do this by providing pastors and their church leaders with ministry coaching and support in five fundamental areas of Church Development: 1) Prayer Development, 2) Mission Development, 3) Spiritual Gifts Development, 4) Small Groups Development, and 5) Ministry Development. When engaged sequentially, these become one fivefold strategy for leading churches to become more Spirit-led and Mission-driven.

PRESIDENT'S VISION

“Where there is no vision, the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18). As we embark upon this new quinquennium, we want to prayerfully move forward, not aimlessly or haphazardly, with every man doing that which is right in his own eyes (Judges 17:6), but unitedly focused on fulfilling our common vision. During the October 25th “REAL TALK LIVE,” our Conference President, Elder Benjamin Jones, shared the vision that God has placed upon his heart, a vision that has received the wholehearted support of our Conference Officers, Executive Committee, Departmental Directors, and Office Staff. The vision is that our entire South Central Conference Family would spend the next five years leveraging our energies and resources toward making a significant impact in #1) Transformational Evangelism—churches working to affect

lasting change in the spiritual AND physical, emotional, and economic lives of people in their communities; #2) Christian Education—making our church schools centers of excellence with expanded online offerings; #3) Community Engagement—moving our churches from “worship centers” to “purpose centers,” that partner with social and civic agencies to positively impact our communities; and #4) Youth & Young Adult Empowerment—creating intentional opportunities for our youth and young adults to function in decision-making roles in our churches and throughout our conference.

Because our Church Ministries & Mission Development Department was originally established to provide guidance and support in reorganizing churches to make a greater mission impact in their community, we have been specifically tasked by



President Benjamin Jones

our Conference Administration with assisting pastors and their church leaders in actualizing vision items #1) Transformational Evangelism, and #3) Community Engagement. Starting with our January 2023 edition of the Compass, we will begin explaining how each step in our 10-Step Spirit-led, Mission-driven Process works to create a church where Transformational Evangelism occurs, as an outgrowth of active Community Engagement.