

Here is a brief report of current activities for Dale Assink

I have been working in Dakota, Central Plains and Central Iowa classes. In addition, as the SOH T and T coordinator I have been working with the RCA GSC staff and other regional synod executives further designing and implementing the T and T initiatives.

#### DAKOTA CLASSIS

- preached and met with elders at the Chancellor Reformed Church- support Seth in helping to prepare the church for their pastoral transition, encourage interim
- preached at Delaware Lennox, Easter
- Continue to meet monthly with Colton Consistory; congregational meeting; installation of elders and deacons.
- continue the re-visioning process at the Valley Springs church- ready for the congregational unveiling of new ministry plan on Sunday April 19; met with re-vision team and Consistory on a regular basis since summer 2014
- meet/facilitate monthly with the SE Pastor Network in Sioux Falls
- meet monthly with the SW Pastor Network in Mitchell
- meet monthly with the EC Pastor network in Brookings
- met with and co-led the EC Cluster of churches
- initiated and facilitating an Outreach Learning Community with four churches who have committed to a two year process of furthering their outreach effectiveness by meeting quarterly with their teams, monthly in a coaching time.
- plans to add one more person to the First Call network
- available for discussions and coaching as needed
- member of executive committee

#### CENTRAL PLAINS

- meeting with Firth Consistory, assisting in their transitional process
- meeting with Hope, Lincoln re-vision team to plan their transition process
- initiated and facilitating a Discipleship Learning Community where five churches and two individuals have committed to a two year process of furthering their discipleship ministry with bi-monthly group meetings and bi-monthly coaching times.
- working with the CRC in order for three CP members to enter the Commissioned Pastor process.
- attend and help facilitate the South Cluster pastor retreats as possible
- attend North pastor networks as possible
- attend north KEZ meetings as possible
- work with the Comanche Church and Apache Church when possible- installation of elders and deacons at Apache; ordain and install their preaching elder.
- continue the discussions with Our Lord's, OKC and their discipleship ministry
- member of classis' resource team
- plan, design and help lead classis meetings

#### CENTRAL IOWA

- attend the re-visioning team meetings to prepare the new vision/mission/structure to full classis May 28
- attend the Vision information gatherings to further leader's understanding of new vision
- meet with the new staff person's funding team in order to coordinate funding for the new staff position
- attend executive committee meetings
- available for consultation to other classis commissions/needs

#### LARGER SOH and RCA CONNECTIONS

- attend COSE ( Council of Synod Executives) meetings to network with other regional synods
- attend Interchange Partnership ( COSE members plus RCA Executive staff) meetings to further the implementation discussions of T and T across the country.
- Hosting the COSE/Interchange partnership meeting April 14-16 in Omaha
- meeting with Andrew Bossardet to further discuss church health processes, i.e. Vitality Pathways—getting prepared to gather our own synod's input into this process.
- Ridder Church Renewal – promoting and recruiting participating churches
- attended the larger RCA discussion on ' Transitions"- both for pastors as well as church transitions.
- Helping to plan the upcoming Leadership Community where the SOH will commit to two years of learning with two other regional synods- Mid-America and Great Lakes in order to further discuss more effective ways of doing regional ministry
- attend SOH financial team meetings
- member of and attend Chris Godfredsen Steering Team where possible
- plans to connect with the five SOH churches who have committed to the RCA's Leadership Community out of the Leadership Network in Dallas, TX.