

VCR Cohort – Vibrant Church Renewal Proposal Mid-Atlantic District Church of the Nazarene

God wants every church to be a vibrant, loving, Spirit-filled, and outward-focused body of believers. The Mid-Atlantic District VCR (Vibrant Church Renewal) Cohort seeks to assist pastors and congregations in bringing a new sense of mission and purpose to their plateaued congregations. This is accomplished through sharing resources, creating learning opportunities, and interacting with other pastors and congregations that are experiencing meaningful ministry and health.

Requirements for this District Cohort include the following:

1. Selection by the Mid-Atlantic District Staff
2. Self-aware Pastors and Lay Ministry Teams
3. StrengthsFinder Assessment
4. Capacity - the ability or power to embrace, experience, or understand
5. Sustainability
6. Attendance is an absolute requirement at scheduled meetings
7. Agreement regarding significant reading assignments

10 Characteristics/Topics for the Vibrant Church Renewal may include:

1. Establishing a missional framework
2. Pastoral self-leadership
3. Assessment of present realities
4. Worship, preaching and harnessing creative arts
5. Process for discipleship
6. Evangelism
7. Spiritual principles
8. Leading complex change
9. Conflict resolution and the power of unity
10. Delegation and leadership development

Proposed VCR Cohort Meetings:

- May 28, 2015
- July 28, 2015
- October 29, 2015
- December 8, 2015
- February 23, 2016
- May 3, 2016

