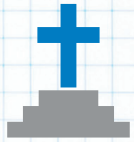




The North Georgia Conference

VISION BLUEPRINT

2012-2016



RENEW

the Wesleyan historic emphasis on spiritual practices and disciples.

How will your congregation develop spiritual practices of prayer, fasting, meditation, study, solitude and worship that will grow strong and deep?



INVIGORATE

ministries with those under age 25; Children: Youth and young adults.

How can your congregation build meaningful relationships with those under 25 years of age? Where can you open your doors to the children, youth and young adults in your neighborhood?

INCREASE

the number of and participation in groups for the development of spiritual leaders.

Where is your congregation creating small groups for spiritual renewal and group discernment practices?



RECRUIT

new lay leadership by intentionally working at identifying new leaders.

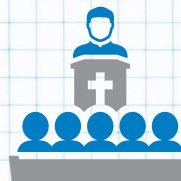
What programs or experiences could your congregation purposefully develop to train and support new and emerging leadership?



TEACH

the United Methodist Way of Christian living to our communities.

What is your congregation's intentional plan for teaching and learning our Wesleyan heritage?

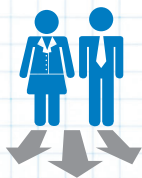


IDENTIFY

effective candidates to meet the evolving clergy needs of the conference.

How does your congregation identify and actively support those in its midst who hear God's calling them into ministry?

Get started or go deeper today! Visit www.ngumc.org/blueprint for ideas and resources.



SEEK

ways to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of staff and leaders.

How is your congregation equipping the “next wave” of exceptional leadership?

CREATE

sub-district groups of congregations for mutual support.

Who will your congregation partner with for idea-sharing, support, learning, worship and accountability that creates and energizes effective and collaborative ministries?



STRENGTHEN

lay and clergy partnerships.

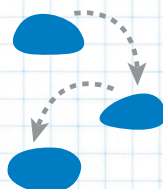
How can your congregation engage in learning experiences where laity and clergy are equipped to partner in ministry together?



EMBRACE

our ethnicity.

How can your congregation measure ethnic attendance in worship and small groups and celebrate your increasing diversity?



INCREASE

the number of Vital Congregations in every language and ethnic group.

What are the stepping stones of faith in your congregation? How will you create this intentional path for growing disciples?

CULTIVATE

intentional, and evangelistic Christian witness.

How are you sharing the Good News with others in order to reach new persons who can profess faith in Christ for the first time?



BUILD

more mission and ministry bridges to our world parish.

Where in the world will your congregation join in the NGUMC Bridge building?

ENGAGE

in solutions for 2 or 3 significant areas of local and global social involvement.

Where do the world's hurts meet the passion and gifts of your congregation? How can you become involved in – Human trafficking; feeding programs; Imagine No Malaria; stewardship of the earth; eliminating the death penalty in Georgia?

