

Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." Genesis 28:16



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## VISION:

A movement of churches awakening to God's call, forming life-giving friendships and partnerships, and growing in love for their home communities

## GOALS:

- Enjoy life-giving relationships that extend beyond Sunday and the physical church building
- Experience God by placing God-questions at the center of the conversation
- Know and love your place and its people
- Discover and embrace your unique identity and call

## WHAT:

Two-year journey where participating churches will:

- Engage their neighborhoods
- Build community
- Clarify values and calling
- Connect with other churches
- Embrace Christian practices
- Understand trends in their community
- Strengthen leadership

## COMMITMENT:

Commitment for Pastors is approximately 5-7 hours per month:

- 2-year program
- Monthly pastors' learning community meetings the 2nd Thursday of the month beginning July 2022
- Monthly congregational team meetings
- 4 large-group gatherings per year

Commitment for Congregational Team Members is approximately 3-5 hours per month:

- 2-year program
- Monthly congregational team meetings and activities
- 4 large-group gatherings per year

## CONGREGATIONAL TEAMS:

- Pastors will form their Congregational Teams with 6-8 congregation members
- Ideally, 2-3 members live in the church's neighborhood
- Ideal team members should represent a cross-section of the congregation and be willing to prioritize participation and show signs of interest in engaging with neighbors

## STEPPING OUT CURRICULUM:

Over two years, participants will work toward:

- Becoming a people of relationship rather than outcomes
- Listening without agenda
- Attending to stories of people in the neighborhood
- Discerning what the Spirit might be saying to us

## AWAKEN DANE PARTNERS:



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## APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MAY 24, 2022 OR UNTIL COHORT IS FILLED

