

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

AWAKEN DANE PARTNERS:



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WHAT:

Nine month 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:

- Initial 9 month commitment with an option to extend
- Monthly pastors' learning community meetings beginning late summer
- Monthly congregational team meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month from September to May
- Alumni engagement opportunities available

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

- Initial 9 month commitment with an option to extend
- Monthly congregational team meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month from September to May

CONGREGATIONAL TEAMS:

- Pastors will form their Congregational Teams with 5-7 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 9 months 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

In the second year, participants will conduct experiments in their neighborhoods.

NEW COHORT LAUNCHES EACH FALL

