

## **Evangelism Committee**

### **January 25, 2014**

It is an exciting time to be a part of the PCUSA!! Not sure about that! Well, you are invited to look at the 1,001 New Worshipping Communities videos that are available at [www.onethousandone.org](http://www.onethousandone.org). See what kinds of new ideas are coming into play as the PCUSA takes seriously the command of Christ to “go into all the world, proclaiming the Good News.”

Resources:

**New Beginnings:** An Assessment tool [www.whatisourfuturestory.com](http://www.whatisourfuturestory.com)

**ENGAGE:** a new curriculum to use within Congregations [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org)

There are three parts that are available now:

**Engage: the Gospel, Engage: Discipleship, and Engage: Mission.**

This curriculum line features seven-session resources that inspires a journey of prayer and faith-sharing, equips members to live out and share their growing faith, and connects the church with its community. It is available in the PCUSA.org store and there is a leader's and participants' guide.

We want to keep the 1,001 New Worshipping Communities initiative as a present part of the work of the Presbytery, and to help congregations and groups who want to start something new to find the resources and help they need to bring in a new worshipping community into Presbytery of Western North Carolina.

Thank you goes to the Presbytery for hosting Vera White from the GA office. Vera is the Coordinator of the 1,001 project, and brought us great news about new worshipping communities started throughout the US.

#### **1,001 New Worshiping Communities**

Not sure what 1001 New Worshipping Communities is all about?

It is the new way that the PCUSA is doing New Church Development. There is a lot of creativity, community engagement, experimenting with what might work, and lots of permission giving. So check out: [www.onethousandone.org](http://www.onethousandone.org)

Are you dreaming of a new way to do church and reaching your local community? Then consider having a conversation about 1,001 New Worshipping Communities.

#### **Transformation/Redevelopment:**

What is the legacy your congregation will be leaving to the next generations? How is your congregation reaching out into your neighborhood and engaging the gospel in the world? Are you realizing that is it time to begin redevelopment or transformation of your congregation? Start the conversation now so that your congregation can be a vital presence in sharing the Gospel. Talk to members of the Evangelism Committee and let us help you dream for the future.

- If you want to know more about any of these ideas, events, or websites, please talk to Ann Aichinger, Chair of the Evangelism Committee, New Vision Presbyterian Church, Conover, NC 828 464-1330 Email: [annaichinger@gmail.com](mailto:annaichinger@gmail.com)

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- If you want to find out how the Evangelism committee can help your congregation to be engaged in your neighborhood, contact the Evangelism Committee members, and ask for help.
- If you want to serve on the Evangelism Committee, talk to the Nominating Committee and we would love to have you.