

### Who Can Participate?

Pastors are encouraged to bring a team of 3-6 people:

- Congregational Lay Leaders
- Change Agents
- Additional Church Staff
- Interns

### Where will the courses be held?

McCormick Theological Seminary

**What is the tuition cost?** \$1000 per pastor for a church under 200 members, \$1480 per pastor for a church over 200 members includes: eight days' training *plus* ongoing coaching. \$500 for two days' training without coaching. These costs include inviting up to six lay leaders to join in the Saturday sessions. *Housing, transportation, and meals are additional expenses.* A \$100 deposit is due with application; full tuition may be paid in two installments. **Scholarships are available for church teams.**

Applications will be accepted beginning September 2014 continuing through October 15, 2014 or until the course fills. For more info, contact David Boumgarden at [david@riverglen.org](mailto:david@riverglen.org) or Deborah Kapp at [dkapp@mccormick.edu](mailto:dkapp@mccormick.edu). To register contact Joe Ann Watson at [jwatson@mccormick.edu](mailto:jwatson@mccormick.edu), 7730947-6361.

### Dates/Topics:

#### Who's and How's of Reaching our Neighbors in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Dr. Mark Lau Branson of Missional Network and Fuller Theological Seminary  
November 21-22, 2014

#### Challenges of Growth in the Missional Church

Rev. Dr. Jeff Japinga &  
Rev. David Boumgarden,  
January 30-31, 2015

#### The Innovative Church

Rev. Dr. Tom Dickelman  
April 24-25, 2015

#### Living into Your Church's Vocation

Rev. Deborah Kapp  
September 25-26, 2015

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Continuing Education

### Certificate in Leadership for a Transformed Church



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Chicago, IL

McCormick Theological Seminary and the Presbytery of Chicago are sponsoring a new *Certificate in Leadership for a Transformed Church*, equipping pastors and leaders with skills and abilities necessary for effective leadership in today's changing churches in order to meet tomorrow's growth and challenges. Church teams will be matched with an experienced pastor/coach who works with them to accomplish their church's goals.

The program emphasizes developing adaptive and transformational skills, combining church leadership practice with theological reflection.

### **What are the Benefits?**

- Students will strengthen knowledge and sharpen skills through examining key theological and missional church viewpoints.
- Students will analyze their church neighborhood demographics and needs in order to create fresh plans for reaching people with the gospel.
- Students will brainstorm innovation for their churches, both in the classroom and in between-session work applicable to each student's church.
- Students/teams will work with a coach to set goals and timelines to apply learning to transform their churches.
- Students will develop an interactive peer network of colleagues through their classroom discussions and work.

### ***What are the Courses?***

#### **Who's and How's of Reaching our Neighbors in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

An in-depth look at the neighborhood where God has placed your church and what difference that can make in order for your caring, outreach, and growth efforts to be effective. *Dr. Mark Lau Branson*

**Challenges of Growth in the Missional Church** Just as God sent Jesus, God sends a people into the world to serve as God's

hands and feet. What does it look like and how does a church grow through outward focus? *Rev. Dr. Jeff Japinga & Rev. Dr. David Boumgarden*

### **The Innovative Church**

An interactive seminar on innovative thinking and practice. Goals are to charge pastor's batteries with new ideas and fresh ways to think about the challenges and opportunities of ministry. *Rev. Dr. Tom Dickelman*

### **Living into Your Church's Vocation**

Practical suggestions for how to put together your theological convictions, the mission field outside your door, and your ideas for innovation. Participants will consider how to identify and build on their church's strengths, frame a compelling vision for the future, and strategize for successful change. *Rev. Dr. Deborah Kapp*

**Coaching sessions** will be scheduled by coach and church team to include: 3 site visits, shared class time, and monthly phone call check-ins to set goals and follow up on progress over a 15-month period.

### **Who Will the Faculty Be?**

- Dr. Mark Lau Branson of Missional Network and Professor of Ministry of the Laity, Fuller Theological Seminary.
- Rev. Dr. Jeff Japinga, Associate Dean, McCormick Theological Seminary and Director of the program.
- Rev. David Boumgarden, Senior Pastor of River Glen Presbyterian Church, Naperville, IL & Presbytery of Chicago Consultant for Developing Congregations.
- Rev. Dr. Tom Dickelman, Senior Pastor of Community Church of Lake Forest & Lake Bluff, IL & Director of the Center for Innovative Ministry
- Rev. Dr. Deborah Kapp, Associate Professor of Urban Ministry, McCormick Theological Seminary
- Additional faculty to be announced

### **Who Are the Trained Coaches?**

- Rev. Dr. David Boumgarden, River Glen Presbyterian Church (Coaching Coordinator)
- Rev. Jefferson Caldeira, Vida Nueva Presbyterian Church
- Rev. Stuart Jameson, consultant
- Rev. Michael Miller, Crerer Memorial Presbyterian Church
- Rev. Deb Paton, Rogers Park Presbyterian
- Rev. Judith Watt, Fourth Presbyterian