Transformed by the Spirit Updates November 2015

Evaluation of Resources

- A formal evaluation has been conducted of the Transformed by the Spirit resources. Some of the findings include:
 - 80% of the respondents are pleased to have participated in the TbyS initiative
 - 2/3 indicated that the experience met their expectations
 - 94% now understand the difference between technical and adaptive challenges and all agree that this understanding is helpful
 - 80% appreciate the "Dwelling in the Word" process



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- About 2/3 would recommend the resource to other organizations
- $\circ~$ About 34 believe that the resource helps prepare their organization for future change
- The evaluation surfaced several helpful suggestions for improvement and a revision of resources is currently underway. Some of the enhancements will include:
 - Options for increased involvement for participating pastors
 - An emphasis upon "exploration" rather than "experimenting"
 - Brief, more concise workbooks

Further Engagement of the Resources

- We are working to recruit two new regional clusters of congregations to engage Joining God in the Neighborhood early in 2016. If you think that your congregation or region might be interested in getting involved, let us know!
- All of the resources continue to be available for a free download at www.MissionSummitConversations.com

Learning Communities

- Two new learning communities among executive ministers are forming. One is geared toward newer executives and the other is geared toward longer tenured executives.
- The emphasis in these groups is upon creating a safe space for executives to explore "doing regional ministry differently."
- If you have ideas for other learning communities, let us know.

Watch for Future Details

- The next meeting of the Journey Team will focus upon marketing the newly revised resources.
- An extensive launch of Joining God in the Neighborhood is being planned for Biennial/Mission Summit 2017!