

Presbytery creates Revitalization and Redevelopment program

The COVID-19 pandemic, along with demographic changes in our communities, as well as lifestyle changes have left many churches ponding what they do to revitalize.

The Presbytery of the Pines has a new Revitalization and Redevelopment program ready to help. Congregations that commit to this two-year program will be guided through a revitalization and redevelopment curriculum developed by Presbytery Associate for Revitalization and Redevelopment the Rev. Dr. Alford Branch.

Dr. Branch will provide guidance and support to congregations, Sessions, and leaders concerning mission and ministry in their local communities. He will work with congregations and leaders as they discern and explore their calling in the ministry of Jesus Christ to the world.

Dr. Branch will conduct in-person consultation at least one or two times per month, and possibly electronically, if needed. Cost of the program to participating churches is \$100 plus mileage per in-person visit.

The program curriculum includes “The 7 components of church revitalization and redevelopment” and “Becoming an Acts 2: 42-47 Church,” both developed by Dr. Branch.

This curriculum is the result of Dr. Branch’s 37 years of work with Holmes Chapel Presbyterian Church, Monticello, Ark., and the successful revitalization and redevelopment of that congregation.

Other denominational resources will also be made available.

[Click here for the program application](#) or find it under the Revitalization and Redevelopment listing on the Documents page.