Disciples of Christ

Transformation Event

July 2007

1. Missional Church:

- **a.** God is the BIG, center, the focus of the conversation:
 - i. WHAT IS GOD UP TO IN THE WORLD?
- **b.** WHERE DOES THE CHURCH FIT INTO WHAT GOD IS UP TO IN THE WORLD?

2. This is about massive change/transformation of:

- a. Imagination
- **b.** Perspective
- c. Basic understanding and practice of church life in America

3. Luke 10: 1-12 Two massive questions:

- **a.** What is God up to in the world?
- **b.** What does it mean to be the church?

4. Four responses requiring massive change of imagination:

- a. Go!
- **b.** No baggage!
- c. Enter/dwell/eat
- **d.** Announce/Act

5. Why? Four types of churches:

CLOSED DOOR CHURCH REACTIVE

- Know world has changed.
- Confused, afraid
- Circling the wagons
- Focused on keeping things going but only for 'us'
- "Family' dominant metaphor

MISSIONAL CHURCH

- What is God up to in our neighborhoods?
- How do we join with what God is doing?
- How do we shape our local church around/for the context in which we are placed?

SPIRITUAL FILLING STATION DEVELOPMENTAL

- Meet my needs
- Experience/seeker oriented
- Lots of programs
- Usually homogenous
- Circulation of the saints

CHURCH WITH MISSION (S)

- Evangelism
- Social Action
- Missional events/trips etc

TRANSFORMATIONAL

TRANSITIONAL

DEVELOPMENTAL

REACTIVE

6. Implications for...

- a. Local churches
- **b.** Local leaders
- **c.** Transformation teams

7. Designs for developing Transformation



