



Transform Minnesota Connections Newsletter

Complex Issues. Biblical Perspective.

Learning to Intentionally Engage Spiritual Conversations



In a continuing effort to help the Church of the future navigate change, Transform Minnesota partnered with **Steiger International** on January 26th for a second workshop, Spiritual Conversations for the Non-Religious. Participants learned more about the **radical shift in priorities** needed in their lives if they want to build relationships with non-religious people.

Read more about that radical shift [here](#).

Trauma Healing and Participatory Leadership



Transform Minnesota hosted a **Trauma Healing Convening** for local ministry leaders on January 24. The group learned how Healing Groups can be implemented in their ministries, and how to **engage the content themselves**.

Read more [here](#).

Local Healing Groups are starting soon! Check the Trauma Healing [program page](#) on our website or continue scrolling for more info.

Pastor's Column



Pastor Dave Mergens' **passion for discipleship** has been a mainstay value in his 20 years of vocational ministry. Having served previously in the Twin Cities and currently at **Alexandria Covenant Church**, Dave has experienced discipleship relationships in suburban and rural settings.

In advance of the **Rural Impact Leadership Conference**, we asked if Dave could share any insight that pastors in rural and suburban contexts could learn from each other when it comes to **building discipling relationships**.

Read his thoughts [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Trauma Healing Groups

Healing Groups are safe, multi-session small groups led by certified facilitators. In these groups, people with heart wounds can **come together to find healing, engage with scripture, learn to feel safe, and know they are valued**. This small-group experience is also helpful for those who walk closely with others who must cope with trauma and losses, big and small.

Two Healing Groups hosted by Transform Minnesota are scheduled for late February and early March:



A **Virtual Healing Group** will be held over Zoom on Sundays and Wednesdays from 6:30-8:45 PM starting February 15. Learn more [here](#).

Sundays and Wednesdays
Starting Feb. 15
6:30 PM - 8:45 PM
Held over Zoom



An in-person **Healing Group** will be hosted at our Richfield office on Thursday, March 9 and Friday, March 10. Learn more [here](#).

Thursday, March 9 & Friday, March 10
9 AM - 5 PM
hosted at
Transform Minnesota

Initial Facilitator Training

The Trauma Healing **Initial Facilitator Training** is for those who wish to be **trained and certified as facilitators**. Facilitators will be trained in Biblical and mental health principles related to trauma care.

Participants in the training must be 18 or older, must have completed participation in a Healing Group, and must be able to attend the entire training.



An **Initial Facilitator Training** will be hosted at our Richfield office on April 20 and 21. Learn more [here](#).

Thursday, April 20 & Friday, April 21
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
hosted at
Transform Minnesota

Rural Impact Leadership Conference 2023

March 18, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Alexandria Covenant Church
4005 Dakota Street
Alexandria, MN 56308



The Rural Impact Leadership Conference (RILC) is a 1-day training event—with in-person or streaming options—designed to equip rural and small-town leaders and pastors in the nurture of thriving rural congregations. This event is being facilitated by the **Northwest Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church** which serves the region of Minnesota, N & S Dakota, and western Wisconsin in partnership with **Oak Hills Christian College** and the Evangelical Covenant Church Commission on Town & Country Ministries.

Job Openings

Affiliate Ministries

Case Manager, Refugee Reception & Placement, Arrive Ministries

Arrive Ministries is looking for a full-time (40 hours/week) Case Manager, Refugee Reception & Placement at the Richfield Headquarters Office.

Administrative Coordinator, Arrive Ministries

Arrive Ministries is looking for a full-time (40 hours/week) Administrative Coordinator at the Richfield Headquarters Office.

Good Neighbor Coordinator, Arrive Ministries

Arrive Ministries is looking for a full-time (40 hours/week) Good Neighbor Coordinator at the Richfield Headquarters Office.

Client Care Nurse Float, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a Client Care Nurse Float for their Metro offices.

Administrative Assistant, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a full-time (40 hours/week) Administrative Assistant at the Minneapolis First Care Office.

Client Advocate- Bilingual/Spanish, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a full time (40 hours/week) Client Advocate-Bilingual/Spanish to float between the First Care office locations.

Client Advocate, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a part-time (20 hours/week) Client Advocate at their University First Care office.

Every Family Social Worker, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a part-time (20 hours per week) Every Family Social Worker at their University First Care Office.

Adoption and Foster Care Social Worker, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a part-time (20-24 hours per week) Adoption and Foster Care Social Worker at their Richfield First Care office.

Client Care Nurse, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a full-time (40 hours/week) Client Care Nurse for their St. Paul and University First Care offices.

Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer Float, New Life Family Services

New Life Family Services is looking for a Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer Float for their Metro offices.

Shift Coordinator (Overnights), Damascus Way

Damascus Way is looking for a part-time (24 hours/week) Shift Coordinator (Overnights) for their Rochester Reentry House.

Shift Coordinator, Damascus Way

Damascus Way is looking for a part-time (16 hours/week) Shift Coordinator for their Rochester Reentry House.

Weekend Overnight Shift Coordinator - Damascus Way

Damascus Way is looking for a part-time (16 hours/week) Weekend Overnight Shift Coordinator for their Golden Valley Reentry House.

External Positions

Finance Director, FreedomWorks

FreedomWorks is looking for a full time (40 hours/week) Financial Director to oversee: financial, business, and contribution management; compliance reporting; and a growing staff team.

Marketing and Design Coordinator, Christ Community Church Rochester

Christ Community Church is looking for a Marketing Design Coordinator to serve as part of a creative team responsible for development and implementation of marketing strategies for the church and a Christian preschool.

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