



Missional Leader Cohort

INTRODUCTION

ReWire exists to empower the body of Christ to live as missionaries in their own communities

To be deeply rooted in God and connected to the pain of the world.

Often the Church has not seen creating people to live as missionaries as its primary task. Nor has the Church been structured to help people discover and live out their God given calling. The Church has routinely been reduced to finding volunteers for its own operations. Now is the time for a new kind of discipleship. One that is rooted in the deep experience of Christ's love and in encountering the redemptive work of Christ in the places of pain around the world. **ReWire's Missional Leader Cohorts** provide support and training to help pastors and missional leaders mobilize their congregations into their own communities and into the world.

Missional Leader Cohorts (MLC) are a set of 5 retreats over two years that are designed to provide direction for you to rethink, retool, and renew your leadership. This is done in a community of pastors/leaders who are on the same missional journey.

You will be given tools for your journey:

Beyond: A weekly curriculum designed to help members discover and live out their life calling in a community of committed Christians. Classes in the Beyond series can be customized to the needs of each church.

Deep Waters: A monthly course that will train your leaders over a 10 month period. This is done through a guided spiritual direction process. It will equip your congregational leaders to implement our *Beyond* process.

This approach assumes the following:

Missionaries can be developed

It is the role of the church to develop missionaries

Mission comes from God and is placed into the life and heart of all members

Mission centered spiritual direction is the best way to create long-term, vision-directed, Kingdom-focused missionaries.

OUTCOMES –

- Training basic skills as a missional spiritual director
- Tried and tested material and methods for mission discipleship
- Establishment of a network of pastors for mutual learning and support

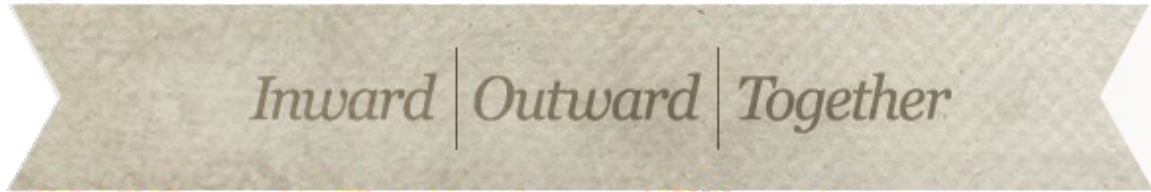
MLC will meet for five, 2-day retreats over the course of 24 months. After the first two retreats, MLC members will have access to Deep Waters and Beyond curriculum and can start teaching it in their congregations. After the full 24-month program, MLC participants will have access to all Deep Waters curriculum, Beyond curriculum, and all ReWire programs. This process will yield a small group of activated agents that will fuel missional change in your congregation.

Overview:

Missional Leader Cohort			
	<u>Spiritual Formation</u>	<u>Missional Church Philosophy</u>	<u>Missional Leader Skill</u>
Retreat 1			
Day 1	Disciplines Overview	Missional Church Overview	starting the missional conversations
Day 2	Praying the Scripture	Kingdom Centered Mission	From teaching the head to forming the heart
Retreat 2			
Day 1	Examen	Beyond: Discerning Call	A new pedagogy
Day 2	Human Condition	Beyond: Cultural Captivity	A new Pedagogy
Retreat 3			
Day 1	Meditation/belovedness	Beyond: Life in the Kingdom	Apprentice to the poor
Day 2	Combating false beliefs	Beyond: Strength to love	Apprentice to the poor
Retreat 4			
Day 1	Spiritual Exercises	Deep Waters	Exegeting community
Day 2	Transformational process	Deep Waters 2	Exegeting Community
Retreat 5			
Day 1	Solitude and Silence	Creating and sustaining Mission Groups	Organizational change theory
Day 2	Creating an ordered life	Creating and sustaining Mission Groups	Review

THE RHYTHMS OF DISCIPLESHIP

ReWire is process whereby participants engage in a rhythm of spiritual formation, a rhythm modeled by Jesus. Being with others on a journey of discovering a new way to live, stepping out to heal the broken places in the world, and seeking nourishing intimacy with God. A rhythm of life lived Inward, Outward and Together. These rhythms are not three separate directions but three interrelated dimensions for living in the kingdom of God.



Inward | Outward | Together

INWARD: *The inward rhythm is where we discover and reinforce our identity as people deeply loved by God. As we connect to the reality of who God is, we can learn to live into the reality of who we were created to be, and be freed from the many voices in the world that seek to define us and keep us from living the life God intends. It is a journey toward a more contemplative, reflective life.*

OUTWARD: *The outward rhythm pulls us toward the least, the lost and the left behind. In summing up the law of God, Jesus said, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.” This commandment is the inward rhythm. He continued, “Love your neighbor as yourself” (Mk 12:30–31). This is the outward rhythm. The outward rhythm of sacrificial love for others naturally flows from the inward rhythm of loving and being loved by God.*

TOGETHER: *In the inward journey we receive our identity as known and loved by God. In the outward journey we live out that knowing love to the unknown and the unloved around us and in the process meet God in his distressing disguise. In neither of these journeys are we meant to travel alone. God intends these rhythms to live in community, community as a mirror that reflects reality, a sounding board to hear our thoughts better, a place where our identity and actions are affirmed and a place where we can find accountability to live the life they say they want to live.*