Converge Residencies 101
Answering the question, “Why?”
Topics for today…

1) The landscape of Pastoral and Leadership development is shifting.

2) We believe residencies are the best avenue for ministry preparation.

3) We are developing and implementing a Converge Residency program.
US Population Growth vs Church attendance

*Evangelical Covenant Church
*University of Virginia
1) The landscape is shifting…

- Equal value placed on education and experience.
- Leadership Pipeline, Leadership Pathway, local church residencies.
- Heightened desire to identify and call up those from within.
Residency vs Internship:
Internships assist in determining a call. Residency clarifies a call to ministry.
2) Residencies are best for ministry preparation...

- Provides an avenue for calling up those from within.
- Immediate application of educational training.
- The local church experiences and participates in the sending.
Converge Residency mission:
To educate, equip, and send effective leaders into vocational ministry.
3) Converge Residencies!

- The Development of a residency program.
- The Implementation of residencies.
- The Timeline for launch!
Next Steps…

1) Debrief with someone and pray!
2) Register for the December 4th Converge Residency 201 webinar.
3) Complete the Church Residency host application.
4) Mark down March 26-27 for Residency host training in Orlando!
5) Talk to another Converge church about residencies!
Thanks for participating today. We hope to have you back on December 4th!

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