

ADOSC Church Planting Diocesan Council Report ~ February 2026

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I continue to have conversations about Church Planting “next steps” with several churches in the Diocese. I am excited about how several of these potential plants can be supported by Deaneries (where no single “mother church” may have the resources to fully support a plant).

One example of this is St. Matthias’~Summerton support of Rev. Daniel Miles in the Manning area. St. Matthias’ is now financially supporting Daniel in his efforts to plant a church while Daniel serves in various capacities at St. Matthias’ in their efforts to faithfully reach their surrounding community with the Gospel. As Daniel begins to gather a team in the Wyboo area for regular meetings, I am excited about this church planting partnership and the fruit already evident from their co-labor.

On January 20, 2026, I was informed by the leadership of KARDIA (the Church Planting “engine” of the Diocese of the Carolinas) that our partnership would be suspended until resolution with the upcoming trial involving the Archbishop. While this saddens me, their decision should not impact any of our ongoing church planting efforts in ADOSC.

I look forward to our upcoming gathering for all of the Canons for Church Planting in the ACNA. This gathering is scheduled for April 24-26 near Tucson, Arizona. These annual meetings always provide great encouragement, resourcing and refreshment.

The current Church Planting Residency program is accepting applications. This practical training allows individuals to remain in their current context while receiving weekly teaching, coaching and encouragement. If you, or someone you know, might be interested participating in the Residency Program (open to be clergy and laity), contact me or find more information on the ADOSC website.

In addition to our church planting efforts within ADOSC, I continue to coach Rev. Johnmark Smith in Columbia, Tennessee and Rev. Brandon Marschner in Fargo, North Dakota.

We have identified several opportunities for planting in/around our diocese. Our greatest need is for the Lord to raise up plant-ers! Please pray the Lord will raise up laborers for His harvest (Luke 10:2).