

ADOSC Church Planting Diocesan Council Report ~ August 2026

Rev. Todd Simonis – Canon for Church Planting

I am excited to announce that Mr. Brad Carr is going through the ADOSC Church Planting Residency Program this year. Brad is now serving at St. Paul's in Bennettsville, SC, as a licensed lay reader (appointed by Bishop Edgar). We are excited about his role and all we believe the Lord will do at St. Paul's and throughout the community.

Always Forward, the church planting "engine" of the ACNA, will be offering a Church Planting Training Intensive (CPTI) in Jacksonville, Florida, on November 9-12. This is a wonderful, equipping resource for clergy and/or laypeople. Unfortunately, this year's conference dates conflict with the ADOSC Clergy Conference. Despite this conflict, if anyone from ADOSC is interested in attending the conference, please let me know.

Rev. Daniel Miles continues to lead and grow the church plant in Summerton, now called "The Parish Church of Wyboo." Daniel and a core group of folks have been meeting every other Sunday morning throughout the summer as they look to "launch" weekly worship services this Fall. They have also been doing the necessary (but sometimes tedious) work of pursuing incorporation, writing by-laws and establishing their non-profit status. They have secured a wonderful facility for their use on Sundays and throughout the week. Please keep Daniel, his team and the Parish Church of Wyboo in your prayers.

Over the summer, I have been meeting with the Leadership Team of Good Samaritan Anglican Church in Summerville. While Rev. Tyler Prescott has been on Sabbatical, it has been good to hear from the leadership team and get a sense of where the Lord may be leading in this next season for the church.

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). If I can ever be of assistance in speaking to a Rector, Vestry or group of interested laypeople, I would be honored to spend that time with you.

In addition to our church planting efforts within ADOSC, I continue to coach:

- Rev. Johnmark Smith in Columbia, Tennessee
- Rev. Brandon Marschner in Fargo, North Dakota
- Rev. Thomas Blair in Lynden, Washington