



Anglican Diocese of the West Church Planting Constructs

OVERVIEW

The Anglican Diocese of the West under The Right Revered Dr. Felix Orji, as a Diocese devoted to the Great Commission, and as a part of the greater missional movement of the Church of Nigeria North American Mission (CONNAM), has a dedication to being fruitful and effective in the work of church planting.

In an attempt to cooperate better with God in this commission, better collaborate with our fellow Anglican Dioceses, and better steward the planters and families given to our care, we need to craft a strategy to build and develop our Diocesan church planting infrastructure.

Our Province has laid a framework for the components needed for an effective church planting network within a Diocese:

Convictions

The uncompromisable certainty that church planting is a biblical mandate for our Diocese

Culture

The unwritten values, assumptions, expectations, tolerances and practices that create an environment for the flourishing of church planting

Constructs

The systems and structures needed for the support of church planting

- **Leadership Pipeline:** a clearly defined path for the raising up of new church planting leaders
- **Assessment:** a process to discern the presence of the proper gifts and graces within a potential church planting
- **Training:** a process for equipping planters with the needed skills and knowledge
- **Coaching:** a system by which a planter meets regularly with a coach for wisdom and direction
- **Ongoing Support:** an intentional focus on caring for planters relationally, emotionally, physically and spiritually in their work
- **Funding:** a strategy to assist the planter in obtaining the funds needed for church planting
- **Strategic Oversight:** the people and teams specifically tasked with overseeing and advancing church planting

Collaboration

Working together ecumenically and within our province for the work of church planting