

A Word of Clarification for Pastors and Churches that Already operate in the power of Word and Spirit

One question we often receive comes from pastors who have already implemented the convergence of Word and Spirit in their respective ministries. They wonder what benefit there might be in affiliating with CCN.

This is a great question, so let me provide you with a few answers.

First, even those pastors and churches that have made considerable progress in effectively leading their churches into the convergence of Word and Spirit may still have much to learn. I know this is true in the lives and ministries of our CCN Board. We constantly are faced with new and unanticipated questions, circumstances, and challenges that we ourselves need help in addressing. We suspect that most, if not all, pastors who are considerably more experienced than others will testify to the need for continuing to grow in this dimension of ministry.

Second, most pastors and churches face the daily challenge of isolation and lack of accountability. By affiliating with CCN, you can find connection with an array of others who likely are facing the same issues you encounter. The prospect of collaboration and regular communication with each other is a tremendous benefit that comes with being a part of CCN. We currently host a monthly cohort meeting on zoom where everyone has the opportunity to meet other members, to hear of unique challenges they are facing, and to grow in their knowledge and practice of convergence.

Among the many benefits and blessings of affiliation with CCN is the opportunity to connect directly with other pastors of like mind and theology for prayer, encouragement and fellowship.

Third, members are also blessed by the twice-monthly instructional newsletter that we send out. We recently concluded an eight-part series of articles answering the question, What is Spirit Baptism and When does it Occur? When you affiliate with us, you will have access not only to future installments but also all past articles that are posted on our website and available only to members of the network.

Fourth, we are quite sure that most pastors confront challenges and difficult circumstances other than those that arise in the effort to be an effective Word and Spirit church. To the degree that we are able to provide wise and biblical counsel to help resolve such matters, we are more than willing to do so.

Fifth, yet another goal of CCN is to equip you to be better suited to help equip others who may be struggling or confused about local church life in general. We want CCN to be more than simply receiving, but also giving to others who stand in need. We trust that what you may learn from being in CCN will translate into helpful advice, counsel, and instruction that you provide to others with whom you come into contact.

Sixth, yet another benefit of affiliation is the opportunity to post openings on your church staff that we hope would attract qualified pastors who are already devoted to the convergence of Word and Spirit.

Seventh, we are frequently asked by those not in CCN for recommendations of Word and Spirit churches in a particular region. As a member of CCN, people looking for a biblically-based and Spirit-empowered church will be directed to you.

If you have additional questions about the benefits and blessings of affiliation with CCN, please contact us at connect@convergencechurchnetwork.com.