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Southeast GPS

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My journey into the ministry has taken me from Buffalo, NY (where I was born) to a variety of places including Nebraska, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Michigan, back to New York for 25 years and finally, here to Pennsylvania. During those years, God used a lot of different people and situations to prepare me for the challenges and opportunities to serve Him as a pastor.

The friendships and camaraderie I formed in college and seminary created lifelong bonds that have sustained me in many ways; but when the going got especially tough, the people who "held my arms up" and helped me to survive and thrive through the ups and downs were colleagues who knew from experience exactly what ministry demands from those whom God has called.

So, when the Lord gave me this opportunity to serve as the Southeast ABCOPAD GPS, I knew that the best way I could help would be to encourage as many pastors as possible to hook up with a Leadership Learning Community (LLC). I spent a good portion of my first month as a



GPS sorting through a variety of schedules, needs and preferences (many of them complicated even further by the pandemic). The good news is that there are two new groups meeting and an LLC that has been meeting for several years just took on several new members!

I am confident that God will bless and strengthen these pastors and the congregations they serve through the experiences they will have in these groups! And it is a privilege to have played a small role in bringing them together. Your gifts to Partners in Ministry have helped to make this possible.

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