New Church Planting Takes Root with Missiongathering

To take root, our new church movement relies on the nurturing of people like you . . . and church planters like Rev. Rich McCullen.

He was working with teenagers at a parachurch organization, when he noticed that bringing students to a traditional church was challenging because they felt judged for not having a religious background. So, Rev. Rich started a student service, that eventually became a Disciples church, called Missiongathering, thanks to the support of the Pacific Southwest Region.

After nesting with an established congregation, Missiongathering San Diego opened its own space in 2006. . . and has thrived ever since.

So has Missiongathering Charlotte, whose planting plans were interrupted by a recession, but which finally opened in January 2016.

And, so have three more new Missiongathering churches just in the last three years: Issaquah, Thornton and Pasadena.

Church planters like Rev. Rich remain committed to answering God’s call . . . to serve their neighbors, spread the gospel, and make more Disciples every day.

Would you like to answer God’s call? To support the new church movement in our Region, and across our Church through New Church Ministry, please give to the 2019 Pentecost Offering, June 2 and 9.