QUESTIONNAIRE FOR GROUPS INTERESTED in a NEW OPC WORK



Thank you for contacting us regarding your interest the possibility of seeing a new Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC) started in your area. In order to get you to know you a little better, please answer the questions below and return to Brett McNeill (mcneillopc@gmail.com).

GENERAL INFORMATION

- How many families are committed to seeing a new reformed church in the area?
- 2. List and describe each of the individuals/families that make up the group, including strengths and gifts they might bring to the work. Describe the character of group interaction or congregational life (fellowship, connectedness, worship, commitments, etc.) among the group.
- 3. How did you, as a group, find one another? Are you coming out of another church or have you found each other through other means?
- 4. Describe the community in which this mission work will be located. What is the size of the community? What is the ethnic and socio/economic makeup of the surrounding community? What opportunities and challenges do you foresee in planting a new church in this community?

CHURCH BACKGROUND

- 1. How did you hear about the OPC?
- 2. Have any of the families been a part of the OPC or another Reformed congregation before and if so, which ones?
- 3. What about the OPC do you find attractive and compatible with the vision and makeup of your group?

- 4. Tell us about the other churches in your area.
 - a. Is/are there other reformed church(es) nearby? If so which ones, how far away and what are your reasons for wanting to start a new work rather than join that church?
 - b. Are there other protestant / evangelical churches? If so which ones, how far away and what are your reasons for wanting to start a new work rather than join that church?

THEOLOGICAL DISTINCTIVES

- 1. Briefly describe the objectives of the mission work. What are its goals? How will this church be different from other churches in this community? Why this church in this community at this time?
- 2. What would you say are the theological distinctives of your group—the theological issues you believe are essential to the group?
- 3. What do you consider to be the most important aspects you are looking for in a new church?
- 4. Are you familiar with the <u>Westminster Confession of Faith</u> and <u>Larger</u> and <u>Shorter</u> Catechisms? Are you in agreement with these documents? Please describe any reservations you have.