

## The Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) Report


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The committee continues to monitor the NCR Mission Statement and works as assigned by the board, meeting last in October 2009. Our aim is to keep NCR members engaged in defining the NCR's future.

NCR members have continued to help the SPC focus on the NCR Vision Statement. No satisfactory, straightforward, and pithy motto to encompass our work exists yet. Perhaps different vision statements for each NCR mission objective might help the impasse. For example, if our letterhead "motto" read, "CPE: Transformative Theological Education" might the different objectives in the mission statement each have a vision statement? If you would like to brainstorm a short phrase to summarize each mission objective add it below. Examples against which you might brainstorm include: "Calling Forth Leaders in Ministry" "Training Courageous Leaders", "Partnering with Faith Communities." Add a contribution to capture the spirit of the statements below and hand it to a member of the SPC.

For several years the NCR Mission Statement has appeared on the website home page. The board has begun to assess its use and effectiveness. Let's look at it how closely NCR approaches its mission. Some questions to ask include, Where and when has the NCR advocated for peace, justice, life, and healing? Does the NCR know if CPE is transformative? What progress has the NCR made toward partnering with other stakeholders interested in our kind of education? The questions suggest discussions might be held on whether to drop aspects of the stated mission, whether mission claims can be substantiated and if new strategies to specifically address mission need be implemented. Please also use the space below to edit the current mission statement.

We will empower learners and colleagues to serve and lead in professional ministry, and advocate for peace, justice, life, and healing.

 We will empower centers and supervisors to engender transformative theological education, integrated spiritual care, and prophetic leadership.

 We will partner with institutions, seminaries and faith communities in educating persons and training supervisors.