

## Becoming a Part of Converge MidAtlantic

**Churches Exploring Affiliation with Converge MidAtlantic** – Steps to affiliating include the following:

- 1) Initial conversation with Converge MidAtlantic leadership – meet with a Converge pastor or our District Executive Minister to initially discuss the benefits and expectations for affiliation
- 2) Building a relationship with your Church leaders – Converge MidAtlantic leadership can meet with your church's leadership team to talk further about the benefits of affiliation, answer questions together, and discuss what this means for your church
- 3) Gather documents - provide Converge MidAtlantic with essential information on your church including: governing docs, church history, affirmation of faith, financial information, and current ministries info
- 4) Official request to affiliate – provide Converge MidAtlantic with information detailing the decision of your church to affiliate with Converge. A letter to this effect is adequate.
- 5) Schedule an Affiliation Council – this involves setting up a meeting with your church's leadership and area Converge MidAtlantic pastors/leaders for the purpose of mutually affirming the decision to affiliate and partner together.
- 6) Official affirmation by Converge MidAtlantic leadership – typically our Converge MidAtlantic Board of Overseers approves the final recommendation for affiliation. This can also involve a larger celebration at a Converge MidAtlantic gathering.

**Church Planter desiring to plant with Converge MidAtlantic** – If church planting is your dream or calling, your first step is to contact Jeremy Copeland, our Converge MidAtlantic recruiting Coordinator at: [JCopeland@storychurch.org](mailto:JCopeland@storychurch.org). Jeremy will walk you through the pathway to involvement as a church planter with Converge MidAtlantic.

**Pastor desiring to serve in a Converge MidAtlantic church** – If pastoral ministry is your goal, begin by contacting Dan Peterson at: [Dan@convergemitatlantic.com](mailto:Dan@convergemitatlantic.com), or by completing our Converge P3 pastoral leadership profile (link to Pastoral Placement section).