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Even though we are living in uncertain times, due to the pandemic crisis, wildfire, protests and election year, it has also been a time to think of new modalities or alternatives on how to work. A time of sorrow and pain for the lost of the lives, unemployment and the closing of the church buildings, have brought also an immense opportunity for creativity, refocused priorities and alternatives to explore doing mindful work.

Certificate of Ministry Studies (CMS)

• 27 Disciples students had completed the Certificate of Ministry Studies (CMS) program. The graduation was held in a Zoom format and was the first DSF online graduation. 3 students started DMS program on September.

New Church Ministry

- Reached out to the congregations weekly by phone and directed them to available resources throughout the General Church. Also, I have been checking on families impacted by the wild fires.
- Lead our Water the Plants Prayer Call twice in October. The theme of reconciliation, for the Reconciliation Ministry, New Church Ministry coaches, Florida Disciple Regional Church. The National Prayer are Tuesday at 6:00am and Thursday at 6:00pm. - This initiative had been launched as a National New Church Prayer team. We are currently recruiting people from our Region who might be interested in being part of this initiative.
- Attended New Church Ministry Leadership Academy along pastor Jorge Lopez from Jehova Nisi on September 28-30.
- Participated New Church Summit on September

Obra Hispana

- Obra Hispana National board are meeting every three weeks since March to assess and response to the needs of the Hispanic Congregation due to the Corona virus pandemic.
- Helped to sign people up for **the Obra Hispana National Assembly** online gathering that happened on October 23-24 for Disciples of Christ around the country.

Anti-racism training

- Coordinating a group to develop an Anti-racism training in Spanish. Content and
 material are adequate for the Latino population. The group started meeting every week
 from June to August. Participating 5 persons from California, Arizona and Oregon
 regions. The curriculum is available for others Region to use.
- Spanish language Anti-Racism training Led and organize an ARPR training in Spanish on Sept 25-26, with all five Spanish speaking churches in the region participating. Along with Pedro Ramos-Goycolea, Pastor of Desert Dove Christian Church in Tucson Arizona. Arizona based facilitator for this event was paid from regional reconciliation funds. This training is a require for Commission and Ordained Pastor in Oregon SW Idaho Region

- As a part of The Regional Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation team led two Zoom calls since our regional board meeting. The first call included 37 people from 11 congregations and the second call included 37 links (some with more than one person) from 16 congregations. The second call had all five of our districts represented
- Participated as a panelist speaker in the Anti-racism town halls webinar, Love is an Action Word sponsor by National Reconciliation Ministry and GPMP offices.

Attended the On-line Women's event, Commission on Ministry, and New Church Team meeting.

What are some of the things the Hispanic churches are doing?

- Iglesia Nueva Vida and Iglesia Jehova Nisi are conducting on site worship
- Iglesia Jehovah Nisi, Rio de Dios and Peniel Ministries has done a similar outreach via online worship.
- Principe de Paz in Portland have been reaching out by radio broadcast
- Rio de Dios and Principe de Paz 's Church are renewing a coaching program with New Church Ministry and Iglesia Jehova Nisi has completed the requirements to start the program now in the fall.
- Anselmo Barragan Garcia was invited to participated in a National Program Obra Hispana Contigo on Friday.

Global Ministry Board on October 21-

Call back international co-workers and update budget using some reserve money. Global Ministry are in good status for now thank you to the faithful given.