

# Kingdom Connections

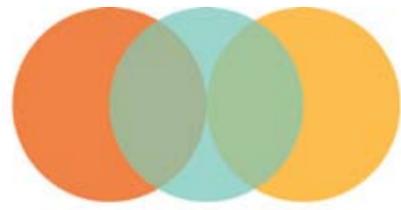


GIVING CATALOG

**INVEST** IN **LIFE**-CHANGING,  
**COMMUNITY**-TRANSFORMING  
INITIATIVES



Del Camino Connection  
just relationships



# Who We Are

*Committed to Connecting*

Nothing compares to seeing the fruit of authentic, life-giving relationships. When diverse churches from around the world connect, powerful things happen. This is exactly what DCC gets to facilitate every day! We connect and train churches and other faith-based networks from the global North to a growing network in the global South called the Red Del Camino Network (RdC).

The RdC is a grassroots, relational movement of churches whose innovative local initiatives are having global impact. DCC helps connect churches and organizations to this exciting movement- bringing people together to share ideas, knowledge, inspiration, experiences, and resources.

Jesus told his followers that when we come together like this, people get to know God and get a glimpse of what abundant life and love can look like. At the core, our commitment is to help diverse communities of people experience healthy, life-giving *Kingdom relationships*.



# What We Do

*Just Relationships*

Relationships can transform the world. We have seen Kingdom connections flourish when they are based on love for God and love for one another.

DCC helps churches and organizations move their local and global cross-cultural relationships forward. Sometimes this involves new connections for people into the RdC movement of Latin America; other times it involves helping nurture and strengthen existing partnerships in other parts of the U.S. and the world.

We long to show people that developing healthy, global, partner relationships are worth the effort. When these relationships go well, there is nothing more attractive and engaging.

# TRANSFORM

# Investing in Relationships



## *Doing Something New*

Because we are so committed to “just relationships”, we aim to foster those relationships within a Kingdom of God framework. We believe this is the framework from which all transformational results flow and reflects the interconnectedness of our work and is aligned with how we operate.

To help this happen, we encourage people to invest in one of four funds we have established:

- Active Red del Camino (RdC) Networks
- Emerging RdC Networks
- Local Church Initiatives for Transformational Development
- Del Camino Connection

Our focus is on networking and the transformation that occurs as a result of these relationships.

We invite you to invest your financial gifts but also your gifts of time and talent. Get involved! See for yourself the work of RdC churches on the ground. We want to join you on your journey to learn, share, and experience Kingdom relationships around the world!

Read on to learn about each of these funds. Contact us to find out how we can help serve and support you as participants in God’s mission to make all things new.

## Red del Camino Network

Empower a continental movement of national networks transforming churches, individuals, and communities

Annual Fund Goal: \$65,000



RdC leaders from all over Latin American at the RdC Continental Gathering

The Red del Camino (RdC) is a grassroots movement of churches from the global South who are committed to friendship, learning, and working together in order to reflect the transforming power of the Kingdom of God in the world.

At annual national and regional gatherings, one spirit unites diverse groups of believers around discovering and participating in God's mission to make all things new. In communities and neighborhoods throughout Latin America, local churches are breaking the mold to be present in their contexts and are reaching out to the lost and hurting- revealing powerful glimpses of God's grace filled unconditional love. God's Kingdom among us!



RdC Dominican Republic



RdC Argentina



RdC Mexico & RdC Costa Rica



RdC Guatemala

### What Does It Cost?

- **\$10,000-\$25,000** Average cost of a three day national network gathering. Includes housing, food, materials and logistical expenses
- **\$100-\$250** Scholarship costs for a local pastor to attend a national three day gathering.
- **\$500-\$3,000** Average cost for a church-to-church leadership exchange on a national and international scale
- **\$3,000** Cost for annual leadership retreats
- **\$75** One leader's participation in a 2-day retreat or workshop event
- **\$3,000 to \$5,000** Communication costs to coordinate and facilitate the connections among the community of churches

### Your gifts will help impact relationally-based initiatives like these:

- Annual network gatherings that connect, inspire, encourage and equip participating churches and ministries in the active national networks in Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Honduras, Guatemala, Peru, Argentina, and Chile
- Network and church exchanges (both nationally and on a continental level) which foster church to church learning through the sharing of experiences, resources, specific ministry exposure and mentoring and a passion for God's mission of restoration
- Support to new church plants that start with a vision for the integral mission towards community transformation
- Leadership development among youth and church leaders through retreats & workshops



## Emerging Networks

Catalyze the growth of the RdC movement by supporting emerging networks

**Annual Fund Goal: \$20,000**



Emerging Network in Cuba

The spirit of friendship and enthusiasm found in the RdC is contagious. Emerging network movements are springing up throughout Latina America. Pastors and ministry leaders are hungry for something different and the fraternalism, encouragement, and genuine transformation that happens in small, organic ways is making more churches take notice.

But the organic and decentralized nature of the RdC means that the process of developing a new network can be fragile and slow. Our goal is not to add more names or countries to a roster, but rather to come along side interested churches in new countries in a spirit of friendship and a desire to cultivate true relationship.



Leaders from the emerging Network in Mexico



Leaders from the emerging Network in Haiti attend the RdC DR Gathering



First gathering of leaders in Cuba



Emerging Network in Nicaragua

### What Does It Cost?

- **\$3,000** Supports the initial gatherings among interested church leaders in a new country to begin the process of forming a network
- **\$800** Travel expenses for a seasoned Network leader to travel to a country to accompany a group of churches in an emerging network

*We want to be a part of this journey, a path that I believe God had planned out for our country where everything has failed us: socialism, communism, the building of earthly kingdoms through religious denominations, structures, and movements. Only one thing has survived all of this, the church of Jesus Christ, above all when she serves in exchange for nothing, only to obey and faithfully be witnesses to God's amazing grace and love for this world.*

-Nicaraguan pastor

### Your gifts will help impact relationally-based initiatives like these:

- Supporting the initial gatherings in emerging networks by bringing churches that engage in integral mission practice in their contexts to share and learn together
- Scholarships for leaders from seasoned RdC networks to attend and share at emerging network gatherings in neighboring countries
- Provide a nine book reference library on integral mission ministry practice to an emerging Network church leader.



# EMPOWER

## Church-based Initiatives for Community Transformation

Invest in church-based ministry initiatives that stimulate transformational development

Annual Fund Goal: \$75,000



Puertas de Sion in the Dominican Republic has an elementary school for local children in the barrio of Losa Ramirez

The RdC is full of stories and testimonies of inspiring and transformative practice. Network churches are committed to participating in God's restorative mission in the world. We see these individual initiatives as more than one-off projects, but rather a part of something bigger.

Each church-based initiative serves the whole Network movement by acting as a living testimony for best-practices, innovative experiments, and opportunities for God's Kingdom to be revealed in tangible life-giving ways. As churches and leaders step out in faith to bring hope and transformation to their communities, they are connected to a continental platform for sharing, learning, and growing.



Casa Videira in Brazil is experimenting with urban agriculture



Terra Coco, a social entrepreneurship initiative in Guatemala, turns discarded coconut husks into sandals and land nets



Guatemalan leader, Pamela Leon, directs El Refugio - a holistic center for women escaping domestic violence



Vision Celestial in the Dominican Republic provides clean, filtered water to their community at a reduced price

### What Does It Cost?

- **\$25,000-\$30,000** Church-based water purification projects in the RdC DR. Includes the equipment, infrastructure set up, business administration and technical training orientation
- **\$10,000** Homeless support programs and church facilities retro fitting to redo plumbing and septic/sanitation system at Iglesia Evangelica Bautista de Constitucion (RdC CR)
- **\$8,000** Flood plain berm and vegetative barriers for flood prevention initiative at Principe de Paz Church (RdC Guatemala)
- **\$20,000** Children's integral development center facilities expansion (rooftop recreation space and semi covered meeting space) at Iglesia Vision Celestial (RdC DR)
- **\$5,000** Urban homestead sustainable living experiment at Casa da Videira (RdC Brazil)

### Your gifts will help impact relationally-based initiatives like these:

- Micro-enterprise clean water initiatives in the Dominican Republic
- Community education and children's after school integral development initiatives in Argentina
- Inner city church initiatives to support people who are homeless as well as immigrants (transitional housing, legal support, friendship)
- Alternative sustainable living and urban agriculture in Brazil
- Disaster mitigation through creation care and natural flood plan development
- Organic agriculture for job creation and church income generation
- Community health care program (preventive, primary and secondary)



# Del Camino Connection

Equip the work of connecting, collaborating, and relational bridge-building

Annual Fund Goal: \$75,000



Costa Rican vision and learning trip with Palm Valley Church and First Pres of Colorado Springs with pastors Alberto Castro and Wagner Portuquez of Iglesia Oasis de Amor

We believe in the transformative power of relationships. We think Jesus did too. DCC facilitates Kingdom connections and exchanges by encouraging people to know one another, to learn about each other, and to understand how each is uniquely contributing as a co-laborer in God's mission to make all things new. As the relationship deepens, we accompany people on the process of discovering together what each can do as they serve one another in that mission.

We understand that is not a simple or easy journey. Ongoing coaching and assessment is often necessary to intentionally grow a community of faith towards a Kingdom-aligned mission strategy. DCC helps churches and organizations move their cross-cultural relational connections forward in a positive life-giving direction through training, consulting and coaching that is uniquely tailored for their specific place on the journey.



Training with First Pres of CO Springs and CCC Mongolia



Palm Valley Church Mission Focus Event

## What Does It Cost?

- \$5,000 *To be Told* video teaching curriculum (per module)
- \$5,000 Communications, web-based training and support
- \$1,000 Latin America network travel (per visit)
- \$1,000 North American Church support and networking, per church connection
- \$800 Ministry Admin support (per month)

*Tom and Dee encouraged, challenged and stretched us in a 4-day training that included all of our local and global partners, and lay leaders from our congregation. The Yaccino's unique gift set of knowledge, cross-cultural competence, and experience mixed with their heart for Kingdom connecting make them a strong force for the Gospel as well as special and trusted resources.*

- First Presbyterian Church CO Springs

## Your gifts will help impact relationally-based initiatives like these:

- Church-to-church partner development training and facilitation
- Serving and learning team training and facilitation
- Church and ministry training, coaching and consulting
- Curriculum development and teaching tools
- Communication and story telling
- Connecting and support to the RdC Network

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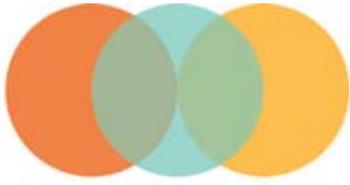
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