

## **Purpose of the TRBA Missions Development Council Church Planting Team**

- Encourage Church Planting by TRBA, churches, especially in the TRBA ministry area.
- Research and identify strategic Church Planting opportunities within the TRBA ministry area.
- Establish guidelines for funding and supporting the work of TRBA Church Planters and Church Planting Partnering congregations.
- Make funding recommendations for TRBA sponsored Church Plants.
- Provide accountability, oversight, review and encouragement for TRBA sponsored Church Planters and TRBA Churches involved as Church Planting Partners.
- Sponsor training events related to Church Planting issues.

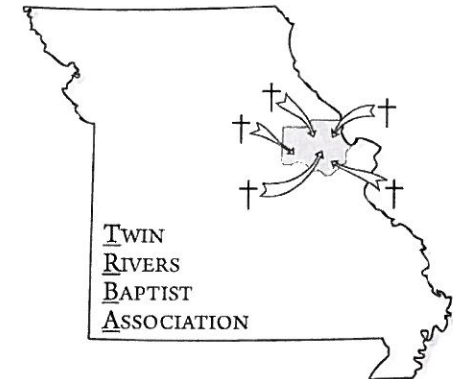
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# **Twin Rivers Baptist Association Church Planting**



***Establishing Church Planting  
Partnerships in Lincoln,  
Montgomery, Southwestern  
St. Charles and Warren Counties***

**INFORMATION FOR POTENTIAL  
TRBA CHURCH PLANTERS**

*"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the  
laborers are few. Therefore pray the  
Lord of the harvest to send out  
laborers into His harvest."*

**Matthew 9:37-38**



## Church Planting with the Twin Rivers Baptist Association

**H**ave you thought about becoming a Church Planter or helping a Church Planter start a new church? Perhaps you have already committed to being a Church Planter and are looking to the Lord for His location. The purpose of this brochure is to provide information about the Church Planting opportunities that are available with the Twin Rivers Baptist Association (TRBA).

**T**he TRBA consists of over 40 churches and missions scattered through the southwestern portion of St. Charles County as well as Lincoln, Warren and Montgomery counties. The TRBA has a strong church planting tradition. We believe an ongoing commitment to Church Planting is essential if we are to be good stewards of the population growth



anticipated in our ministry area. Our Association is unique in that it offers rural, “rurban” and

suburban Church Planting opportunities. The TRBA ministry area also has growing African-American and Hispanic populations.

### The TRBA Church Planter Support Process

The following guidelines overview the process for partnering with the TRBA in Church Planting:



- The process typically begins with an informal meeting with the Missions Development Council (MDC). This gives the MDC an opportunity to understand your Church Planting qualifications and vision.
- All potential TRBA Church Planters are encouraged to work through the *Missouri Baptist Convention Church Planting Team* for training and assessment.
- The TRBA believes strong partnerships with sponsoring churches are essential for Church Planting success. All TRBA Church Planters *must*, therefore, have a Primary Sponsoring Church, preferably with a TRBA church.
- The TRBA Missions Development Council makes annual funding recommendations based on funds available, progress of the church plant, other church support and communicated plans and needs.
- The TRBA has two Block Party Trailers well equipped for an outreach event as well as screens, video projectors and other

equipment available for use by TRBA Church Planters.

- TRBA financial support is typically renewed annually for 2-4 years, reducing as the Church Plant grows and develops its own financial capacity.

If you sense God’s Spirit leading you to plant a church in the TRBA ministry area, contact the TRBA today!

**T**he three avenues of *Church Planting Partnerships* the TRBA Missions Development Council encourages TRBA churches to enter into are listed below:

#### **1. A Primary Sponsoring**

**Church** is committed to working closely with a Church Planter over the long-haul, ideally until the church plant becomes a self-sustaining



congregation. The Primary Sponsoring Church should become the Church Planter’s most significant support lifeline.

**2. Secondary Sponsoring Churches** make more flexible commitments based on the needs of the Church Planter and the resources of the church.

**3. One-Time/Special Needs Partners** are churches that are willing to help meet a specific need of the Church Planter.