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Greetings,

How can we get to the other side? This is a question the disciples are stuck with in Matthew 14:22-34. NCP congregations, you are in your church boat. You are diligent in your discipleship and ministry (like the disciples feeding the 5,000 with Jesus) and now it is time to get to the other side to continue in the ministry (like the disciples arriving to Gennesaret) of Jesus Christ: feed the hungry, heal the sick, protect the vulnerable, and baptize the seekers!

From your Unified Mission Giving, NCP is here to equip you to get to the other side. Since September seven congregations with matched apprentices/mentors are in a yearlong consulting program, PnueMatrix.

Since 2017, over half of NCP congregations have participated in the Church Assessment Tool (CAT) with Holy Cow Consulting. From your participation with these tools and others, NCP can match your visions and dreams with facilitators and coaches trained in our Presbytery!

We are here for you! Congregations who have taken the CAT three or more years ago, invite us to meet with you for a check-in. We want to hear about your visions, dreams, and maybe even your stuckness. We know that as disciples, we cannot stay stuck too long because Jesus meets us right where we are, and we are able to move to the other side.

My office, the Church Development Commission and the Mission Coordinating Committee are holding training to become Interpreters with the CAT, March 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. There is a flyer in this TM. Please consider joining this team of disciples as we equip one another in God's work **being Pastoral**, **Missional**, and **Prophetic together!** 

Peace and Courage,

Tara





