

BLACKHAWK MISSION COMMITTEE
Meeting August 18, 2020

The **Pastoral Leadership Options Exploration Team** moderated by Mike Selburg, has completed their work. Mike added an introduction to the final compilation of models and shared the final product with the Presbytery Council. The Committee on Ministry now has this resource to share with churches seeking leadership options.

The BMC discussed the recent high interest in the Matthew 25 initiative. Fifty people registered for the July 14th Matthew 25 Overview and 25 registered for the August 11th Choosing Steps to Dismantle Racism Where You Are. Notes from both of these events are available upon request.

The **BMC created a Matthew 25 subcommittee to provide continued support and resources to Blackhawk churches interested in or dedicated to the Matthew 25 initiative.** Please let me know if you are interested in serving on this special committee. The first meeting of this new committee will be on **September 15 at 7:00 pm.**

BMC continues to encourage churches to share their mission success stories at a presbytery meeting. To do so, contact the Blackhawk Presbytery office.

The BMC reminds all churches that local funding for **Mission Grants and Peacemaking Grants** is available for partial start-up funding for new initiatives. Applications are available on Blackhawk's website. Further grant **Applications & resources may be obtained from the Mission Program Grants website at** <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/1001-2/mission-program-grants/>

Blackhawk Mission Committee's next regular meeting is **October 27.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Walker

PLEASE ALSO NOTE:

The third event in an ongoing series around the Matthew 25 vision is scheduled for 2 p.m. Central Time on Wednesday, Sept. 16. [This online event](#), sponsored by the Presbyterian Mission Agency (PCUSA) will address eradicating systemic poverty, one of the three focuses of the Matthew 25 vision, along with building congregational vitality, and dismantling structural racism.