



Rev. Fil Nesta
Director of Hispanic Ministries

Begins half time September 2017 and will transition to full time and relocate to the Midwest in June 2018

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As Director of Hispanic Ministries, Fil will provide strategic ministry leadership and oversight for growing, vitalizing, and sustaining healthy missional Hispanic Covenant congregations and developing viable new Hispanic Covenant church plants.

Rev. Fil Nesta grew up in Southern California for the early part of his life. He moved to Northern California to attend UC Berkeley where he received a BA and met his beautiful bride, Juana. It was during this time that he gave his life in service to Jesus. After discerning a clear calling from God, he began to serve the church and planted three Hispanic churches. In 2014, he graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary with a Master of Arts in Theology. He also completed work with CHET (the ECC's Hispanic seminary) and was Ordained to Word and Sacrament in the ECC in 2015. Fil has served the Hispanic community in the Pacific Southwest Conference as a church planter and a staff leader of the Hispanic ministries. He is currently bringing leadership to the ECC Hispanic Assessment Center for church planters, as well as participating in writing revisions to the training materials. Fil has invested in the mentoring and development of new Hispanic leaders and is serving as a member of MHIPE (the ECC association for Hispanic pastors). Fil has been serving and leading within the ECC for more than 10 years.

Fil and Juana have three beautiful daughters: Noemi, Hannah, and Victoriah. In his free time, Fil and his family love to travel and admire God's creation. They will relocate within the MWC in June 2018 in a city yet to be determined.

Superintendent Tammy says, "We are so excited that Fil is joining the MWC staff team. We were hoping and praying that the Lord would bring us a leader to help us fulfill our vision goals. Fil and Juana are an answer to our prayers. Fil's experience in church planting, his knowledge of CHET and ECC systems, his heart for mentoring and empowering leaders, and his work to help Hispanic churches flourish will help us to advance God's kingdom purposes across the MWC."

In accepting this position, Fil says, "I believe the Midwest Conference will not only be a home for thriving missional Hispanic churches, but will also be a major hub for developing and equipping Hispanic leaders."

