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*They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common, selling their possessions and goods to anyone who had need.*

*Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.*

— Acts 2: 42-47 (NIV)



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# Catalyst.

All over our nation there is a quiet movement of the Spirit of God that is causing church leaders to reexamine how they “do church.” It’s no longer merely about size, seeker sensitivity, spiritual gifts, church health, number of small groups, or multiple campuses. It’s about making a significant and sustainable

difference in the lives of people around us — in our communities and in our cities. It’s about being the Church in all its expressions in society. When the Church functions in a community the way God intended, it becomes an irresistible force for good. What a privilege to be a part of Lake County

Catalyst, where the churches are leading the way in this revolution! Over the past year, it has been my privilege to be on the front lines equipping, encouraging and empowering leaders like you to do amazing things as ONE Church, HIS Church. I hope you are eager as well to be used by God in this holy movement!



*Bill Yaccino, Executive Director*

**Mobilizing** the Church in Lake County for spiritual revolution across Chicago



**Connecting** people and resources for greater Kingdom impact

That’s our desire for Catalyst.  
That’s God’s desire for His Church.

## Our Mission

Mobilizing the Church  
in Lake County for  
Spiritual Revolution  
Across Chicago.

### Spiritual Revolution

We believe that when the Church is renewed in its passion for God and the lost are reconciled to a relationship with God — spiritual revolution occurs! The Bible provides the model in Acts chapter 2 for a unified Church working together to bring about a spiritual revolution that results in the transformation of the communities where we live.



## Our Vision

As the Church is mobilized, we long to see...

- **Renewal** of the hearts of God's people  
“*everyone* was filled with love...”  
— Acts 2:43
- **Repositioning** of the Church to move with God  
“*all the believers were together...*”  
— Acts 2:44
- **Restoration** of the reputation of Christ in our communities  
“*enjoying the favor of all the people...*”  
— Acts 2:47a
- **Reconciliation** of lost people of God  
“*the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.*”  
— Acts 2:47b



## Our Strategy

Catalyst is a network of local churches committed to **working together** by connecting people and resources for greater Kingdom impact.

### Benefits

Catalyst Churches realize they can do so much more together than they can do by themselves.

Catalyst churches typically experience numerical growth in volunteers, as well as increased community exposure.

### Additional Benefits include:

- Learning from one another. Best practices are shared along with problem solving among participating ministries.
- Diverse perspectives as you investigate critical issues for reaching your desired ministry outcomes.
- Idea exchange as you develop and refine your own unique strategy.
- Joint use of outside experts resource specialists.
- Ministry and leadership coaching.
- Accountability and encouragement from peers who desire your success.
- Partnering opportunities where gifts and expertise are complimentary



## ShareFest

ShareFest is the most visible expression of Catalyst.

### Benefits for your Church

- Transform your members from inactive to active
- Change focus from “self” to “others”
- Raise awareness of local needs
- Create unity as church members work side by side
- Deepen spiritual commitment and church involvement
- Members realize they can make a difference
- Your church is seen as an agent of change and grace in the community



## Become a Part of Catalyst

Catalyst currently operates in 8 Lake County districts. There are 2 ways to become part of Catalyst. A **Partner** church is committed to building relationship with other local pastors by attending regular gatherings, contributing 0.5% of their annual budget and by becoming involved with one or more initiatives.

A **Participating** church or individual becomes a part of the Catalyst network by participating in one or more initiatives. They are welcome to attend all Catalyst gatherings.

### How to Join

You can apply online at [catalystweb.org](http://catalystweb.org) by selecting the “Join Us” button, or calling 847.201.2771 and requesting an application. Sign up for email alerts on the Catalyst website directly at [catalystweb.org](http://catalystweb.org).





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