



CEM

Christian Evangelistic Mission

The mission of CEM is to promote church growth by planting and nurturing churches.

www.cemchurches.org • Rod Roberts, Executive Director rodcem@mchsi.com

This past August the Encounter Christian Church in Cedar Rapids became self supporting. Caleb Plumb is the Minister with Encounter. Encounter Christian Church currently meets in the Wynnsong movie theater in southwest Cedar Rapids, but is also looking to relocate to a better facility in southwest Cedar Rapids. Their long range plan includes the purchase of property for a permanent building. Our very first Hispanic church plant in Iowa is Lifebridge Christian Church in Des Moines. The church planter with Lifebridge is Mario Lara. The congregation meets late Sunday afternoons at the Fort Des Moines Church of Christ.



Mario Lara Family

Home Bible studies are held throughout the Des Moines area during the week, and on Sundays the worship attendance averages in the 70's and 80's. Our most recent and newest church plant is Freedom Ridge



Nate Liston Family

Christian Church in Ames. Nate Liston is the church planter with Freedom Ridge. The congregation held its first public worship service on January 18th. 110 people were in attendance that day.

The CEM directors and Executive Director, Rod Roberts, are currently praying about and exploring the location for our next church plant. They appreciate the partnership that the Bettendorf Christian Church has had with CEM for many years!

For more than fifty years CEM has been partnering with our Iowa churches to start new congregations across the state!

Here is a listing of the Iowa churches that CEM has had the privilege of supporting:

LeMars Church of Christ
North Grand Christian Church - Ames
Northfield Church of Christ - Fort Dodge
Clear Lake Church of Christ
Carroll Church of Christ
Eastview Christian Church - Cedar Rapids
First Church of Christ - Ankeny
Iowa City Church of Christ
Audubon Church of Christ
New Testament Christian Church - Keokuk
Antioch Christian Church - Marion
Indianola Church of Christ
Nishna Church of Christ - Red Oak

New Testament Church of Christ - Shenandoah
Cedar Falls Church of Christ
Mason City Church of Christ
Fort Madison Christian Church
Cornerstone Church of Christ - Zeoring/Colo
Sunday Church of Christ - West Des Moines
Adventure Christian Church - Davenport
Bridge Christian Church - Dubuque
Pathway Christian Church - Johnston
Encounter Christian Church - Cedar Rapids
Iglesia de Cristo Puente de Vida - Des Moines
Freedom Ridge Christian Church - Ames

