



# Resound Transitional Pastor Ministry

*Helping Churches Pursue Ongoing Renewal*



## What are the Options?

### Pulpit Supply

Provides preaching for the church on a given Sunday. A church may ask the same or different individuals to provide pulpit supply.

### Interim Pastor

Serves the church through leading the regular services of the church and providing for general shepherding duties.

**Contact your associational leader for a list of pulpit supply or interim pastor possibilities.**

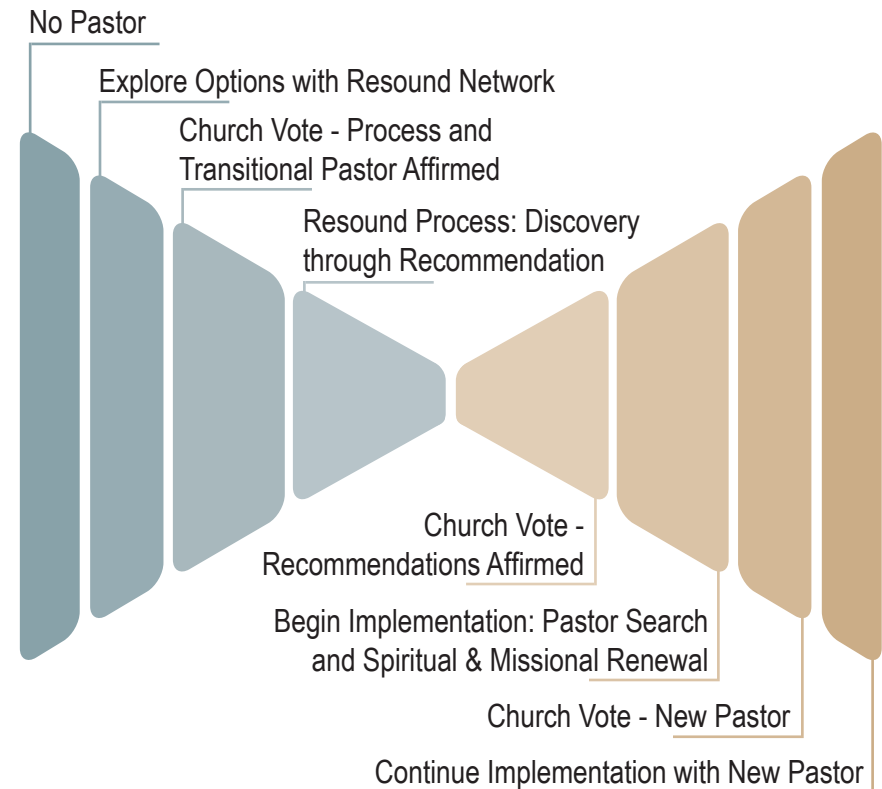
### Resound Transitional Pastor

Helps the church prepare for the next season of ministry, search for their next pastor, and begin pursuing spiritual and missional renewal.

**To explore transitional pastor options, contact [resound@mobaptist.org](mailto:resound@mobaptist.org)**

	Pulpit Supply	Interim Pastor	Transitional Pastor
Sunday AM/PM preaching	•	•	•
Wednesday night	•	•	•
Administrator - baptism and Lord's Supper		•	•
Hospital visits		•	•
Counseling		•	•
Funerals/weddings		•	•
Deacon and committee meetings			•
Business meetings			•
Visitation			•
Lead in assessing the church's current reality			•
Lead in developing a plan for implementation			•
Address issues/conflict in the church			•
Leadership development			•
Church preparation for a new pastor			•
Training a pastor search committee			•
Assist in mission development			•

## Stages of the Process



## Reach Out

Your associational leader is your best contact for identifying pulpit supply or interim pastor possibilities in your area.

**If you'd like to explore calling a transitional pastor, contact [resound@mobaptist.org](mailto:resound@mobaptist.org).**

## Questions & Answers

### **What kind of training do Transitional pastors receive?**

Transitional pastors will usually have several years of ministry experience. They will also have completed training provided by the Missouri Baptist Convention. The training will include such items as the qualifications of the transitional pastor candidate. Tools and resources are provided to help them accomplish their transitional pastor ministry.

### **How much time and compensation will be expected?**

Time and compensation are agreed upon items. Since each church is different, the time and compensation will be different with each church. It is strongly recommended that there be a covenant between all parties and that time and compensation be a part of the covenant.

### **How long will the transition take?**

The answer is "as long as necessary." The covenant agrees to a process and not a program or time. This is God's time table and not ours. With that being said, most transitional processes take between nine and 18 months.

### **What kind of church will benefit from using the Transitional Pastor process?**

Any church without a pastor would benefit from using this ministry. As a church prepares for the coming of a new senior pastor, a transitional pastor can provide stability and help them celebrate their past, evaluate the present, and prepare for the future.

### **How does the Transitional Pastor relate to the Resound Network?**

The Resound Network comes alongside churches through teams who lead churches in a process to pursue renewal. The transitional pastor serves as a boots-on-the-ground team member who shepherds the church toward renewal throughout the assessment and implementation phases.

## Testimonials

"He provided a wealth of knowledge and his background and expertise were evident."

"His leadership was the key in understanding our current posture as a church in order to determine what we needed to change."

"He consistently delivered God's word to us in a manner that inspired us."

"We have been blessed through the Transitional Pastor process. It has had a stabilizing effect on our church."

"He challenged us all to restore and establish relationships, first and foremost with Jesus Christ."

"He has prepared the congregation well to accept our new pastor and his wife."