



***The Position of Southern CT Church Planter***  
Mission Anabaino, Christ Presbyterian Church, New Haven

**Vision:**

To plant and pastor a Total Christ Five Mark church, one of several strategic locations in Southern CT for the exclusive glory of Jesus Christ.

*"and Christ is the head of the body the church he is the beginning the firstborn of the dead that in everything he might be preeminent" Colossians 1:8*

**General Summary:**

Mission Anabaino ("MA") is a church planting network and collaborative in missional ecclesiology.

As a church planting network, MA targets strategic locations needing church planting movements informed by a Total Christ, or Five Mark, understanding of the church (c.f. "What is MA" at [anabaino.org](http://anabaino.org)). MA is actively involved with defining and executing church planting strategy; encouraging, coaching and supporting planters; recruiting, assessing and developing interns; fostering a church planting culture; and cultivating and allocating financial grants and other resources toward church planting.

As a collaborative, MA extends beyond any local church or particular denomination in the formation of ecumenical collaboratives in missional ecclesiology. MA hosts monthly local collaboratives and one global collaborative annually under a Total Christ vision (c.f. "What Kind of Churches" at [anabaino.org](http://anabaino.org)) and builds collegial relationships among church planters with outside entities, networks, and partners.

Mission Anabaino is a central ministry of the Christ Presbyterian Church New Haven ("CPC") and is supported by a seed gift of 3.5 million venture capital from CPC and other participating MA anchor churches and individuals. The Church Planter works under the executive leadership and support of the MA Executive Coordinator in the planting of an MA supported church.

**General Responsibilities:**

- Prior to Reporting on the Field:
  - The MA church planter will work with the support of the MA Coordinator to raise 100% of pledged financial support needed to supplement the approximate 150k venture capital provided by Mission Anabaino to be implemented over a 2-4 year disbursement plan (TBD).
- Pre-Launch Training and Development:

- Tailored to the needs of each planter, a willingness to study in conversation with the MA Coordinator and MA community the various theological and strategic issues related to a *Total Christ* church and Christian spirituality.
  - In consultation with the MA Coordinator, a willingness to develop a missional vision and strategic three year plan for implementation in a site specific context. In local contexts, this could be coupled with a on-site internship year.
  - Whereas global church planters are chosen for a specific approved site, local church planters are invited to a year long internship wherein the above pre-launch activities can take place including the selection of one of the local opportunities for church planting.
- Post-Launch Involvement:
    - A willingness to participate in an annual Mission *Anabaino* collaborative event aimed at the exploration and execution of a *Total Christ* Theological Vision and Strategic Plan, mutual support and prayer together with other MA church planters (both locally and globally), affiliates and contributors.
    - A willingness to engage the executive support of the MA Coordinator along with submitting a mission report to the MA Coordinator on an agreed upon schedule.
    - To participate in a weekly y scheduled Mission *Anabaino* prayer service and monthly collaborative.
    - A willingness to assist in the recruitment, assessment and development of a growing MA network and to assist in the recruitment and assessment of future MA church planters and sites both locally and globally.

*If interested, please e-mail all inquiries or send a one page cover letter with CV to Christ Presbyterian Church Executive Assistant, Annie McHugh at [admin@cpcnewhaven.org](mailto:admin@cpcnewhaven.org).*