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**Quanto ao documento 015.**

**Oriundo do(a):**

**Comissão de Relações Inter-Eclesiásticas.**

**Ementa:**

**Relatório sobre a Situação da Spanish River Church.**

Considerando:

- 1) Que a Spanish River Church é uma igreja local fundada em 1967 pelo Dr. David Nicholas, na cidade de Boca Raton, no Estado da Flórida - Estados Unidos da América;
- 2) Que a referida Igreja é filiada à PCA (Presbyterian Church in America) e que ao longo dos anos tem colaborado com a plantação de Igrejas em diversos lugares do mundo, apoiando líderes locais;
- 3) Que a IPB mantém vínculo no nível superior dos relacionamentos eclesiais denominacionais com PCA;
- 4) Que os esforços da Spanish visando a plantação de novas igrejas por meio de parcerias estabelecidas é legítimo;
- 5) Que o uso da nomenclatura "comunidades" não é demandado pela Spanish River que usa o termo "igrejas" quando trata de suas parceiras;
- 6) Que não há evidência de quebra de protocolo relacional ao consagrar as referidas parcerias;



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**PROTOCOLO No XLVII**

**Roberto Brasileiro Silva  
Presidente do SC/IPB**

**Data: 21/08/2014**

7) Que o relatório apresentado pela CRIE responde os quesitos de consulta oriundo do Presbitério Piratininga e Sínodo Piratininga.

O SC/IPB 2014 RESOLVE:

1. Tomar conhecimento e aprovar o relatório.
2. Informar que a CRIE tem conhecimento da existência de parceria firmada entre a Spanish River Church e Igrejas Presbiterianas.
3. Informar que não existe qualquer evidência de subordinação eclesiástica das igrejas que recebem apoio com a que presta auxílio.
4. Registrar voto de gratidão à Spanish River pelas parcerias de plantação de igrejas junto à IPB.

Sala das Sessões, 21 de Agosto de 2014.

Relator: Rev. Juarez Marcondes Filho



**IGREJA PRESBITERIANA DO BRASIL**  
**SECRETARIA EXECUTIVA**  
Supremo Concílio da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil  
19 a 26 de Julho – Natal/RN

Belo Horizonte, 19 de abril de 2014.

Ao Supremo Concílio da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil  
Reunião Ordinária 2014

Rev. Roberto Brasileiro Silva  
MD Presidente do Supremo Concílio IPB

Estimado irmão em Cristo.

No cumprimento de minhas atribuições, encaminho documento anexo para consideração e deliberação da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil.

Origem:

Comissão de Relações Inter-Eclesiásticas - CRIE

Assunto:

Relatório sobre a "Situação da Spanish River Church"

Anexos:

Sendo o que me cumpre, registro meu mais sincero apreço e consideração em Cristo.

Fraternalmente

**Rev. Juarez Marcondes Filho**  
Vice Presidente do Supremo Concílio da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil

**PROTOCOLO Nº 015**  
Destino: Sub Comissão VI  
Junta de Educação Teológica

**Rev. Roberto Brasileiro**  
Presidente do SC/IPB  
Data: 19/07/2014

São Paulo, 20 de março de 2014

*À Reunião da Comissão Executiva do Supremo Concílio da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil,  
reunida em Brasília, nos dias 14 a 18 de abril de 2014 e à  
XXXV/III Reunião Ordinária do Supremo Concílio da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil  
Na cidade de Natal, nos dias 19 a 26 de julho de 2014*

Caro irmão M.D. Secretário Executivo do Supremo Concílio da  
IGREJA PRESBITERIANA DO BRASIL

**REF: DOC CCXII da CE/SC-IPB-2013 – Relatório sobre a “situação da Spanish River Church”**

Prezado Irmão,

Graça e Paz!

A Comissão de Relações Inter-Eclesiásticas da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil recebeu o documento supra-citado, pronunciando-se sobre documento 175 oriundo do Sinodo de Piratininga, com a seguinte ementa: “Consulta sobre Movimento de Comunidades da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil”. Entre as determinações contidas nele, a de No. 3, diz:

“Determinar que a Comissão de Relações Inter Eclesiásticas da IPB preste relatório sobre a situação da Spanish River Church à CE/SC/IPB 2014”.

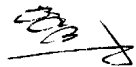
O documento original oriundo do Presbitério Piratininga e Sinodo Piratininga, apresenta os seguintes quesitos, na consulta: (1) *As comunidades presbiterianas estão juridicionadas à Spanish River Church, ou à IPB?* (2) *os pastores das comunidades presbiterianas são pastores da Spanish River Church ou da IPB?* A Comissão de Relações Inter-Eclesiástica da IPB tem conhecimento de que uma igreja da PCA tem financiado a plantação de suas igrejas no Brasil?

Em cumprimento a esta determinação, apresentamos este RELATÓRIO sobre a SITUAÇÃO da Spanish River Church:

1. A Spanish River Church é uma igreja local fundada em 1967 pelo Dr. David Nicholas, na cidade de Boca Raton, no estado da Flórida – Estados Unidos da América. A referida igreja é filiada à PCA (*The Presbyterian Church in America*). Ao longo dos anos tem definido como seu ministério e colaborado com a plantação de igrejas em diversos lugares do mundo, apoiando líderes locais. Segundo informações do site da igreja (<http://spanishriver.com/45387.html>), ela já teria contribuído com a plantação de mais de 200 igrejas. Essas igrejas têm sido plantadas, além daquelas nos Estados Unidos, em 10 diferentes países, como, por exemplo, Canadá, México, Haiti, Chile, Colômbia, e, dentre eles, o Brasil, onde já teria plantado mais de 30 igrejas sob a liderança do Rev. Ricardo Agreste (**Anexo 1**).

2. Existe, portanto, um relacionamento entre igrejas locais. No caso do Brasil, descrito como uma parceria da Spanish River com a Igreja Presbiteriana Chácara Primavera, localizada em Campinas, visando o auxílio na plantação de igrejas ao redor da cidade. Há ainda, conforme a página – <http://www.srcchurchplanting.com/2013/04/23-40-days-of-prayer-day-2/> – a menção de viagens de líderes da Spanish River Church para o auxílio em uma Conferência sobre Plantação de Igrejas, organizada pela Igreja Presbiteriana Chácara Primavera (Anexo 2).
3. A PCA, denominação à qual a Spanish River está filiada, é uma denominação com a qual a IPB mantém vínculo no nível superior dos relacionamentos eclesiásticos denominacionais aprovados pelo SC-IPB (SC 2010 - DOC. XV), que autorizou o estabelecimento, com a PCA, de “*relações eclesiásticas plenas, celebrando oficialmente a completa comunhão eclesiástica*” com a IPB.
4. A CRIE, agindo em sua esfera de competência, que se limita aos relacionamentos inter-eclésiásticos da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil, trabalhando em critérios previamente aprovados pela SC/IPB, formalizou esse relacionamento denominacional com a PCA. Nesse sentido, informamos que a PCA subverte a Confissão de Fé de Westminster, e, portanto, **não há incompatibilidade oficial** entre os padrões teológico-doutrinários da denominação e, por subordinação e inferência, da Spanish River Church e os padrões confessionais da IPB, incluindo os pontos contidos na Declaração de Fé dessa igreja (<http://www.srcchurchplanting.com/about-us/statement-of-belief/> - Anexo 3).
5. A CRIE admite, igualmente, que, à luz da Grande Comissão, os esforços da Spanish River Church na propagação do Evangelho de Cristo por meio da plantação de igrejas ao redor de todo o mundo são, não apenas legítimos, mas também louváveis.
6. A CRIE entende que não há qualquer evidência de subordinação eclesiástica das igrejas auxiliadas com aquela que presta o auxílio – a Spanish River Church. Nesse sentido, todas essas igrejas novas plantadas, por igrejas da Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil, devem tê-las como congregações – até a emancipação, dentro de nossa estrutura denominacional, e devem ser supervisionadas por seus respectivos presbíteros e aderir às decisões conciliares maiores.
7. A CRIE verifica que a designação “comunidades”, que tem causado estranheza em nosso meio e pode refletir uma escatologia distorcida e diferenciada da estrutura denominacional da IPB, não é nomenclatura demandada pela Spanish River Church, que igualmente relaciona diversas “igrejas” (e não “comunidades”), entre as que têm sido auxiliadas por ela. Nesse sentido, há toda aparência de uma peculiaridade local e que deve ser disciplinada pelas decisões conciliares de nossa denominação, com a supervisão dos concílios aos quais essas igrejas estão jurisdicionadas.
8. A CRIE indica que não há evidência de quebra de protocolo relacional, na cooperação mantida entre duas igrejas locais, de denominações fraternas. Assim, a CRIE entende que cabe ao presbítero local examinar o conteúdo, encaminhamento e o mérito do ensino ministrado nos acordos entre igrejas locais, para que as definições conciliares da IPB sejam mantidas e não desobedecidas.

Finalizamos indicando que a CRIE permanece à disposição e sob direção do Supremo Concílio da IPB, para contribuir para a pureza e a melhor organização dos relacionamentos inter eclesiásticos. Se o Supremo Concílio assim decidir, podemos nos dirigir à PCA solicitando uma melhor orientação dos





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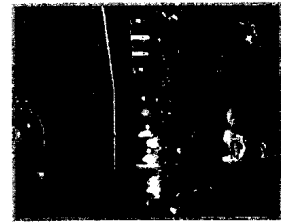
contatos eclesiológicos locais, ou ordenamento dentro de novos parâmetros definidos pela Igreja Presbiteriana do Brasil, sobre tais cooperações.

Em oração e suplicando a intercessão dos irmãos para o nosso trabalho, firmamo-nos,

Em Cristo Jesus,

Davi Charles Gomes  
Presidente da CRIE/IPB

Solano Portela  
Secretário da CRIE/IPB



### Church Plants

### ANEXO 01

#### SRC Church Plants Around the Globe

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SRC through its global outreach ministry has planted 200+ churches over the last 20 years, and now has a presence in ten different countries. The mission of global outreach is to plant gospel-centered, reproducing churches around the world using indigenous leaders.

**Brazil:** SRC has planted 30+ churches in Brazil and new churches are being born each year. Our movement leader in Brazil is Ricardo Agreste.

**Canada:** Renaissance Church in Ottawa, CA. Our church planter is Gord Marriage. Please see below SRC Church Plants in North America.

**Chad, Africa:** As part of Village Altonodji, home for 120+ orphans and 10 widows, SRC has planted a church in Chad, Africa. The church was dedicated in January 2007, and was named Chapel Dr. David Nicholas. Pastor Ngamdeye Boko is the church planter in Chad.

**Chile:** SRC has planted Penolapen Church and Puente de Vida Church in Santiago, Chile. Our church planter in Chile is Vladimir Pereda.

**Colombia:** SRC has planted Bethany Reformed Church in Cali, and is supporting another church in VillaVicencia, Colombia. Our movement leader in Colombia is Leonel Ortiz, and our church planter in Cali is Javier Gil. We are in the process of planting 2 more churches in Cali.

**Haiti:** SRC has planted 27 churches in Haiti. Our movement leaders in Haiti are the brothers Dony and Louis St. Germain.

**India:** SRC has planted 16 churches in the Manipur area of India. Our movement leader in India is Rev. Khen Tombing.

**Malawi:** SRC is in the process of planting Pothawira Church, as part of a village that will also host orphan dorms, a school, and a medical clinic. Our movement leader in Malawi is Pastor Peter Maseika.

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City Church Pastor Brad Schmidt Fort Lauderdale, FL	Evergreen Presbyterian Church Pastor Nathan Lewis Beaverton, OR
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DAY 2 – APRIL 23, 2013 – RICARDO and SONIA AGRESTE, CAMPINAS, BRAZIL



Sonia & Ricardo Agreste

BACKGROUND

Ricardo and Sonia are great friends of SRC. Ricardo is a key movement leader in Brazil. He is the Senior Pastor of Chacara Primavera Presbyterian Church in Campinas, Brazil. He also leads a center for identifying equipping church planters around their country. Our church has made many trips to Brazil. Tommy teaches each year in their church planting conference, and Spanish River has partnered with Ricardo Agreste and Chacara Primavera to help start many churches in and around their city.

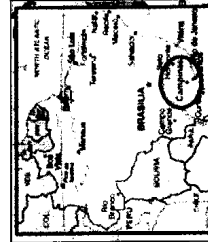
In the last year, their church (the sending church) has seen 200 new members to their church with most of them being new believers in Christ. Their congregation has outgrown their current location and needs to find a new place to meet.

They write: "[The church] has grown so much that we can't accommodate people that are coming anymore. We have found that we can't find a place to buy. Please pray for us that God would open the door to solve this problem, continue to pray for great emotional and physical and spiritual health. We are experiencing spiritual revival in our city -- our mayor and vice mayor are believers in Christ! We pray their testimony will praise the name of Jesus."

Visit their website at <http://www.chacaraprimavera.org.br/>

PRAYER REQUESTS

- (1) A new place to meet
- (2) God to raise up more leaders to help care for and equip new people
- (3) Ricardo's health. They are preparing to start their fourth service, which as you can imagine places a big strain on him physically, emotionally, and spiritually
- (4) Praise God for so many new people understanding the gospel and deciding to become Jesus disciples.



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Agreste family: Levi, Ricardo, Ligia, Sonia, Luiza (not pictured is Paulo, Luiza's husband)

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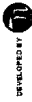
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Statement of Belief

## Spanish River Church Planting Network Short Doctrinal Statement

### The Bible

We believe that the Bible containing the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments is the inerrant Word of God and that the words written by the authors were inspired by God. (2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21). The Bible is our only infallible source of truth about God, about man, about where man came from and where he is going. In the Bible, God has given us what we need to know for salvation, godly and purposeful living, and a proper, though limited, understanding of him.

### God

There is only one true and living God. God is a spirit being and he is one in his being or substance, but within the one substance there are three separate and distinct persons: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit (Deuteronomy 6:4, Genesis 1:1-2, Psalm 2:12). All three persons are co-eternal and are equal in majesty, glory, and power, and each is to be worshiped as God.

### Man

God created human beings so that he could have a people to be his own, so that he might dwell with them and be their God and they would be his people (Revelation 21:3). Man, as originally created was connected to God and in harmony with God (Genesis 1:31).

### Sin

God gave our original parents free will, and set up a test through which they would be able to exercise their free will, either choosing for or against God (Genesis 2:15-17). Adam and Eve made the decision to choose against God and they suffered the consequences and brought, not only sin, but spiritual death, physical death and eternal death into the world. Adam and Eve lost their relationship with God and their basic natures changed so that at their core they were sinful and self-centered, not God-centered. Their fallen natures were passed down to their children through natural reproduction, so that the entire human race has been infected with sin and death and all are guilty before God (Romans 3:9-12, 13). There is nothing a person can do, in and of himself, to make himself acceptable to God. Man, left to his own devices, is helpless and hopeless.

### Salvation and Jesus Christ our Savior

God, in his love made the decision to save some. God the Father drew up the plan that has made it possible for him to forgive people and give them the gift of life eternal with himself. God the Son came to earth to carry out the plan and God the Holy Spirit applies the plan to the lives of people.

Jesus Christ is God the Son who became a man so that he could live a perfect life and allow himself to be arrested, tried, convicted and executed (John 1:1, 14, Romans 9:6). As Jesus was hanging on the cross, God the Father took our sins and put them on his Son and punished him in our place (1 Peter 2:24, 3:18). God, being just, has to punish sin, and in his love for us he punished Jesus in our place. Jesus took the wrath of God we deserve and he died. His body was put in a tomb, but on the third day he came back from the dead, never to die again (Revelation 1:17-18).

### Salvation by grace through faith

God is at work in the world bringing to himself a people to be his own. God the Holy Spirit works through the proclamation of the Good News and the Good News to open the eyes and



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minds of those who are spiritually dead so that they are able to understand their plight and trust Jesus to save them from eternal condemnation and save them to a new life lived with and for him (Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5).

### The Church

The most important thing happening in the world today is the building of Christ's church. It is the most important because it is God's primary work in the world. Jesus said he would build his church and nothing would stop him or thwart him, and that is what he is doing (Matthew 16:18). The church is not a building, but is the people that God is bringing to himself through the gospel, a people to be his own possession (2 Peter 2:9). Therefore, the main action happening in the world is what God is doing in the church.

### The Second Coming of Christ

One day Christ will return to earth in bodily form to judge all who have lived, and to usher in the eternal state. God will have what he set out to have from the beginning: a people to be his own, a people with whom he might live, and he will be their God and they will be his people (Revelation 21:3).

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