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**Abstract**

The topic of this dissertation centers on church planting and multiplication in urban poor communities in the United States. The ministry problem is that The Wesleyan Church denomination does not have a strategy for church planting and multiplication in urban poor communities. In Section One, the problem will be explored by: first, considering The Wesleyan Church's rural-based, white-evangelical past; second, considering the effects of globalization, which have created an increasingly urban, multi-socioeconomically divided mission field in the United States; and third, an understanding of systemic racism and poverty and the white-supremacist contribution to creating and embedding these injustices in America. Section Two will introduce other possible solutions by exploring current church planting and multiplication approaches being used across the United States. This section will be broken into four parts: Theory and Theology, Church Field Strategies, Denominational Approaches, and Focused Networks. In Section Three, the dissertation will be developed, exploring the praxis of Christian community development as a church planting and multiplication strategy for The Wesleyan Church in urban poor communities across the United States. This section will include the mission of the Christian Community Development Association, the origin and development of the CCDA, exploring the five dimensions and the eight components of the CCDA philosophy, and lastly, a model that could be considered as a church planting and multiplication strategy for The Wesleyan Church in urban poor communities. Finally, Section Four will describe and outline the dissertation artifact of a film and web-based resource for church planting and multiplication strategy in urban poor communities.

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