

The Word on the Street

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On Ramps Covenant Church in Fresno, California, is transforming parish ministry.

1. Rici Skei resisted moving back to a neighborhood like the one she lived in as a child. What do you remember about the neighborhood where you grew up?
2. Why do you think it was important that On Ramps Covenant Church and the Skeis' home both be in the same neighborhood as the people they were ministering to?
3. What would be different if you viewed your street as a parish? In what ways does your street already operate as a parish?
4. What do you think the Skeis mean when they describe their ministry as "contempor-ancient"?
5. What aspect of the ministry at On Ramps Covenant was surprising to you?