

Joe and Hallie Holland
Church Planting in Culpeper, VA

Culpeper is a community undergoing tremendous change. Located 45 minutes northeast of Charlottesville and 90 minutes southwest of Washington, D.C., it is no longer a sleepy old Virginia town of interest only to its residents and Civil War buffs. This small town is being transformed from a quaint rural town into one of the fastest growing communities in Virginia. This rapid growth has surprised Culpeper residents, as the north side of the city in particular has seen new residents from Washington D.C. trying to trade Capitol Hill living for small town warmth. Yet Culpeper has no PCA or Reformed church. There are a growing number of people in Culpeper who want to see that change and have asked the Blue Ridge Presbytery to plant a church in their town.

In December, 2008 the temporary session of the Culpeper Mission Church called Rev Joe Holland to be the church planter to Culpeper. Joe, a native of Virginia, grew up in Virginia Beach and attended the University of Virginia—30 minutes away from Culpeper—where he met his wife Hallie. Hallie and Joe have been married since 2000 and have 4 sons—Joseph, William, David, and Charlie. Joe attended Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, NC before going to Mississippi where he served as the Minister to Students and Families at First Presbyterian Church, Jackson and Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Kosciusko.

Please pray for this new church and prayerfully consider supporting this new work in Culpeper, VA. This church plant will flourish by God's sovereign power alone. Pray that Jesus would be exalted, sinners saved, saints grown in grace, and the Kingdom of God expanded. Thank you for your partnership in the gospel!