



**Mark D. Anderson** is President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), a call he accepted in January 2011. In this role Mark leads the NBA in living out its mission of “creating communities of compassion and care” – a mission that NBA fulfills by utilizing a network of Care Partners and by equipping congregations and other direct-care providers to deliver services to those in need.

A social worker by profession, Mark has devoted his professional life to meeting the medical and mental health needs of others. He previously was Programs and Operations Director for Ronald McDonald House Charities in Kansas City, Missouri, an organization that provides temporary lodging and support services for children, who are receiving medical treatment, and their families.

From 2000 to 2008 Mark was the Executive Director of Kansas City’s SAVE Inc., a non-profit housing agency serving people living with HIV/AIDS and other disabilities. With responsibility for the overall vision, financial management, resource development, staffing and programming of SAVE Inc., Mark oversaw tremendous growth in the organization’s services and visibility while ensuring its fiscal soundness and focus on its mission. Mark also has worked as a clinical social worker and a family therapist.

He is a graduate of Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma, and holds a master’s degree in social work from Washington University in St. Louis. He has taught courses in social work at the University of Kansas and the University of Missouri-

Kansas City. He has served on the General and Administrative Boards of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), as well as held several positions on the local and regional levels. Some of his favorite memories were as a youth sponsor at his home congregation in Kansas. He is a native of Peoria, Illinois, and is a third-generation Disciple. Mark is a member at Union Avenue Christian Church in St. Louis, Missouri.