

Being Church
Weekly Online Gathering for ELCA Leaders
Wednesdays, 1PM Central

Join us on **September 9** as we hear from Sarah Jackson, founder of [Casa de Paz](#) and author of [The House That Love Built](#), who transformed her life and the lives of thousands when she asked herself a powerful coaching question, "What if I said yes?"

When [Sarah Jackson](#) (she/her) visited the US/Mexico border in 2012, it changed the course of her life. She spent time with people who'd been deported, listened to their stories, and learned about their reasons for migrating and the dangers they'd faced. She also witnessed families being separated. Her own family is super close—the kind of tight-knit family that looks forward to every minute together. They also believe in treating others compassionately. So, when Sarah saw families being torn apart, she couldn't look away. She returned to Colorado, but there was no going back to normal.

Back home, Sarah took stock of her resources: a one bedroom apartment, a love for volleyball, and a belief that families belonged together. It wasn't much but it was enough. She opened Casa de Paz and started Volleyball Internacional, a volleyball league that donates 100% of its profits to pay for operating expenses of the hospitality home. She's been hosting and helping to reunite families ever since. If you ask Sarah how she does it, she'll laugh and say it's not rocket science. For the thousands of people whose isolation has been eased by the Casa de Paz community, it's something even better. It's love.

[Sarah has generously offered to provide FREE copies of her book to any ELCA leader who makes a request via this form as a thank you for participating in this conversation with her and ELCA Coaching!](#) (You most likely will not receive the book for at least a couple weeks.)

For those who would like to donate to this entirely volunteer-run ministry, you may do that here: <https://www.casadepazcolorado.org/donate>. *Your tax-deductible donation helps provide visits, shelter, meals, transportation, and emotional support to those impacted by migrant detention.*

You are invited to join this weekly online gathering designed to provide encouragement and support for ELCA leaders across the church. Participants will hear topical presentations related to how we are called to be Church, as well as have an opportunity to be in small group discussions with an ELCA group coach facilitating the conversation. This is where the magic happens. All of this is designed to help us process our emotions and thus create a space where we can each name our next most faithful step forward in our unique context. You are welcome to share this invitation with any other ELCA leader, rostered or lay. #ELCACHurchTogether

We understand a number of folks are unable to make this day and time each week. We record the main session and wrap-up time. We share each recording with supporting documents here by the following week: <https://www.elcacoaching.org/podcasts/media>.

You can also find a list of upcoming topics and presenters on the home page of our website: <https://www.elcacoaching.org/>.

ELCA Coaching is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: BEING CHURCH - Weekly Gathering for ELCA Leaders
Time: **August 12, 2020 1:00 PM Central Time**

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