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OBJECTIVE

To glorify God in pastoral ministry by connecting people to a life-changing relationship with Jesus through the practical application of Scripture.

PERSONAL

Birth Date: April 3, 1963
Married to Amy on May 14, 1988

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Radio, Television, Film
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 1985

Master of Divinity
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, 1988

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Pastor, Fellowship Baptist Church, Weatherford, Texas 2016-Present

- Provide spiritual direction.
- Facilitate spiritual health for church members.
- Lead worship services and business meetings.
- Pastoral visitation.
- Conduct funerals, and weddings.

Supply and Interim Pastor, Parker and Wise Counties, Texas 2014-2016

- Lead worship services and business meetings.
- Pastoral visitation and funerals.

Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, Weatherford, Texas 2007-2013

- Provide spiritual direction.
- Facilitate spiritual health for church members.
- Lead worship services and business meetings.
- Pastoral visitation.
- Conduct funerals, and weddings.

Bible Study Leader, Glenview Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, 1995-2005

- Teach large group Bible studies and facilitate small group discussions.
- Develop and teach the curriculum for discipleship classes.
- Coordinate altar ministry.
- Lead a weekly men's accountability group and a home-based couples' Bible study.
- Serve as chairman of the Missions Development Committee.

Associate Pastor, Riverside Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, 1989-1994

- Oversee the church's education and discipleship ministry.
- Conduct weekly workers' meetings.
- Teach Sunday Bible study and discipleship training.
- Pastoral visitation.
- Pulpit supply and funerals in the pastor's absence.
- Deploy the church's computer system.

Intern, Riverside Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, 1985-1988

- Oversee the church's Family Life Center.
- Assist the youth minister in developing the church's youth ministry by teaching youth Bible studies and leading music.
- Outreach visitation.
- Lead music in Children's Church.

Counselor, Camp Don-Lee, Arapahoe, North Carolina, 1983

- Supervise and counsel children and youth during one-week to three-week camps and lead nightly devotional discussions.

Participant, Campus Crusade for Christ Summer Project, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, 1982

- Beach evangelism and campground outreach.
- Teach Sunday Adult Bible study.
- Lead music for all group meetings.

REFERENCES

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Spiritual immaturity runs rampant in churches today. Instead of taking seriously Jesus' Great Commission to *make disciples*, many churches have simply birthed and baptized spiritual babies, but have done little or nothing to nourish these babies to bring them to spiritual maturity. The result: churches are filled with, and led by believers whose spiritual growth has been stunted due to malnutrition. Seldom are Christians told that they need to grow in their Christian life, much less how to grow in this new life.

Jesus said that He came to give abundant, eternal life (John 10:10) and that He was sent to preach the Good News to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, and to announce freedom to prisoners.

His ministry doesn't end with preaching the Good News so people make a decision for Christ. The whole Gospel should be preached and taught in order that lost people can be saved, broken people can be healed, and bound-up people can be set free – all of it done that God be glorified. By building a Kingdom Perspective through teaching believers basic doctrines, how to feed themselves from the Word of God, how to worship and pray, and how to make disciples, and how to be more like Jesus, Believers are less likely to become casualties to the cults and will be better equipped in spiritual warfare; they will also be less likely to simply drop out. Developing Christians in the faith is paramount in closing the church's back door and in winning more lost souls for the Kingdom of God.

In ministry, I have enjoyed seeing God use my primary spiritual gift of teaching and my accompanying "gift cluster" of shepherd, exhortation, wisdom, and intercession to edify, equip, and encourage believers to grow and minister to others.

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