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### **Credentials**

*Ordained* by College Heights Baptist Church of Plainview, Texas in September of 1978.

*Licensed* by First Baptist Church of Silverton, Texas in April of 1977.

### **Education**

***Doctor of Ministry Degree*** from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, California. December 1991. Project Title: *Developing and Implementing a Laos Ministry Base for First Baptist Church of Palm Desert.*

***Master of Divinity Degree*** from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, California. May 1985.

***Bachelor of Arts Degree*** in Religion and Speech from Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas. August 1981.

### **Experience**

*Professor of Leadership Formation and Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program* at Gateway Seminary. July 2006 to present. (During tenure have held various titles)

*Interim Pastor*, June 2016-Apr 2017 First Southern Baptist Church of Monterey Park, CA

*Interim Pastor*, Sept 2012–March 2013. *Sabbatical Pastor* Feb 2012-Apr 2012 First Baptist Church of San Jacinto, CA

*Transitional Pastor of* Valencia Hills Community Church in Valencia California Sept 2010 to Dec. 2011

*Teaching Pastor*. November 2006-December 2006. *Interim Pastor* Dec 2006-February 2009 *Sabbatical Pastor* Sept. 2015-Nov 2015 Hemet Valley Baptist Church, Hemet, California.

*Senior Pastor of* Lighthouse Baptist Church, Seaside, California. October 1999 to July 2006

*Senior Pastor of* First Baptist Church of Alameda, Albuquerque, New Mexico. May 1995 to October 1999.

*Adjunct professor* for Trinity Southwest, August 1997 to October 1999.

*Pastor of* Berkeley Avenue Baptist Church, Turlock, California. October 1992 to May 1995.

*Senior Pastor of* First Baptist Church, Palm Desert, California. June 1982 to September 1992.

*Youth Evangelist*, 1979-1982; 50+ revivals in Texas, California, Idaho

*Pastor of* Northfield Baptist Church, Northfield Texas. July 1978 to May 1980.

## **Certifications**

Myers Brigs Type Indicator. 2006  
Disaster Relief Chaplain, 2009  
LifeWay Transitional Pastor, 2009  
Society of Church Consultants Certification, 2015

## **Books**

*Word Search: Bible People, Places, & Things*, Standard Publishing, 1996

*Parakaleo: The Heart of Deacon Ministry, Parakaleo Ministries, 1998*

*The Boomerang Mandate: Returning the Ministry to the People of God*, Parakaleo Ministries, 1999 Second edition published by Willow City Press, 2000.

*Transformations*, Willow City Press. Winter 2001.

*Stories for the Spirit-filled Believer*, Starburst Publishers, 2001.  
(contributor) "Can I Preach without a Voice?" p 295-300.

*Future Church: Ministry in a Post-Seeker Age*, Serendipity House, 2002

*How to Write Narrative Sermons* (ebook) Willow City Press. (also in Logos and WordSearch Software) 2002

*Grown Men do Cry* (Ghostwriter), Wayne Stockstill, 2004.

*Future Church: Ministry in a Post-Seeker Age* Broadman & Holman, 2004.

*Fresh Illustrations* (ebook) WordSearch Software, 2006

*More Fresh Illustrations* (ebook) WordSearch Software, 2006

*America's Favorite Sermons 2007* Christian Services Network.  
(contributor) "Turning Points" pages 27-34.

*The Church Leader's Answer Book* Tyndale House. (Contributor) "Tools for Personal Organization" p. 8-9 and "Online Sermon Helps" p. 500.

*Fresh Sermons* (ebook) Logos Software, WordSearch Software. 2010

*Fresh Start Devotionals* (ebook) Logos Software. 2010

*Soul Shaping: Disciplines that Conform you to the Image of Christ*, LifeWay, 2010

*Shattered Dreams*, Pulpit Press, 2014 (editorial assistance)

*300 Illustrations for Preachers*, 2015

“A Pastoral Model for Engaging Community” in *Ministry in the New Marriage Culture*, B&H Books 223–36. 2015

*Living the Sermon on the Mount*, Pulpit Press, 2016 (editorial assistance)

*Pastoral Ministry in the Real World: Loving, Teaching, Leading God’s People*, Weaver Book Company, 2016.

*Fresh Illustrations: Forgiveness & Reconciliation*, OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol. 1, 2017

*Fresh Illustrations: Family*, OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol 2, 2017

*Fresh Illustrations: Faith, Hope & Love*, OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol 3, 2017

*Fresh Illustrations: Evangelism & Missions* OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol 4, 2017

*Fresh Illustrations: Sin & Salvation*, OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol 5, 2017

*Fresh Illustrations: Stewardship*, OakTree (Accordance Software) and LifeWay (WordSearch Software), Vol 6, 2017

*Impact Preaching: A Case for the One-Point Expository Sermon*, Weaver Book Company, 2018. (co-author)

*Impact Preaching: A Case for the One-Point Expository Sermon*, (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), Lexham Press, 2018. (co-author)

*Pastoral Ministry in the Real World: Loving, Teaching, Leading God’s People*, (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), Lexham Press, 2016.

*A Guide for Theological Reflection*, Zondervan Academic, (co-author).

Under Contract:

*Illustrating the Sermon’s Big Idea*, Lexham Press, scheduled for Feb 2021.



## Other Publications

### Trade Publications

Pastoral

**\*Baptist Leader**, American Baptist  
**Church Administration**, Southern Baptist  
**\*Enrichment**, Assembly of God  
**Evangelism**, Independent  
**\*Facts & Trends, Southern Baptist**  
**\*Growing Churches**, Southern Baptist  
**\*Leadership Journal**, Christianity Today  
**LeaderLife**, Southern Baptist  
**Let's Worship**, Southern Baptist  
**\*Lutheran Partners**, Lutheran  
**Pastor's Family**, Focus on the Family  
**Preaching: The Professional Journal for Ministry Leaders**  
**Preachingmagazine.com**  
**\*Proclaim**, Southern Baptist  
**Pulpit Digest**, Logos Productions  
**\*Resource Magazine**, Canadian Assembly of God  
**\*REV Magazine**, Group Publishing  
**\*Scroll**, Deerhaven Press  
**\*The Five Stones**, Ecumenical-American Baptist  
**\*The Minister's Family**, Southern Baptist  
**\*The Preacher's Magazine**, Nazarene  
**Today's Christian Preacher**, Marketing Partners  
**Worship in Technologies Magazine**  
**\*Your Church**, Christianity Today  
Christian Ed  
Secular Ed  
**Resource**, Nazarene  
**The Good Apple**, Simon & Schuster

### General Publications

Christian

**Foursquare World Advance**, Int. Church of the Foursquare Gospel  
**LifeWise**, Focus on the Family  
**Lutheran Digest**, Lutheran  
**\*Open Windows**, Southern Baptist  
**Pentecostal Evangel**, Assembly of God  
**Pockets**, Upper Room Publications  
**Poetry Forum**, Independent  
**Royal Calling, Independent publication in India**  
**The Church Advocate**, Church of God  
**\*The Gem**, Church of God  
**\*The Lookout**, Standard Publishing

### Newspapers

Christian

**\*Baptist Press**, Southern Baptist

**\*Baptist Standard**, Texas State Newspaper  
**Home Times**, National Newspaper  
**The California Southern Baptist**, State Newspaper  
**\*The Baptist New Mexican**, State Newspaper

Secular

**The Detroit News**, Newspaper with 500,000 circulation  
**\*Turlock Journal**, Local Newspaper

#### **Curriculum**

**\*EXTRA!**, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board  
**\*LifeWORDS** LifeWay  
**\*LifeLESSONS**, LifeWay  
**\*Bible Studies for Life**, LifeWay

\*Multiple articles to same publication

## Denominational Involvement

Association	<p>Speaker at various conferences, meetings, trainings and camps throughout the US.</p> <p>Vice-Moderator of Trinity Southern Baptist Association, 1983.</p> <p>Chairperson of Stewardship, Credentials, and Evangelism Committees for Trinity Southern Baptist Association. Continuous service in some capacity from 1984 to 1992.</p> <p>Chairperson of Evangelism for Central Valley Southern Baptist Association 1993 to 1995.</p> <p>Chairperson of Special Task force to Study Association's Future for Central Association 1996-1997</p> <p>Chairperson of Strategy Committee for Central Association, 1998-99.</p>
State	<p>Teacher at Summer Evangelism Teams Training, most years from 1982 to 1994.</p> <p>Speaker at "Think Tank" for Church Extension Department. April 1988.</p> <p>Speaker at California Southern Baptist Convention. Gave testimony for Stewardship Department November 1988, 1993.</p> <p>Member of State Executive Board of the California Southern Baptist Convention from 1988 to 1992.</p> <p>Chairman of Total Program Committee of State Executive Board 1992.</p> <p>Author of Training Manual for the Summer S.W.A.T. program for the Evangelism Department. This was an adaptation of Summer Evangelism Team ministry.</p> <p>Parliamentarian at California Southern Baptist Convention. Member 1990, 1991, Chairman 1994, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.</p> <p>Speaker (Theme Interpretation) at Pastor's Conference at the Oakland Convention. November 1991. November 2017.</p> <p>First Vice President of California Southern Baptist Convention. 1993-94.</p> <p>Preacher at Pastor's Conference at Glorieta Convention. November 1995.</p> <p>Member of Program Committee at The Baptist Convention of New Mexico. 1997</p> <p>Chief Parliamentarian at The Baptist Convention of New Mexico. October 1997, 1998, 1999.</p> <p>Member Constitution Revision Committee, New Mexico, 1999.</p> <p>Trustee, California Baptist University, 2000 to 2007.</p> <p>Speaker Minister's Conference, May 2003, 2008.</p> <p>Annual Preacher, Bakersfield Convention, 2006</p> <p>Parliamentarian for Utah Idaho Southern Baptist Convention, 2007, 2008</p> <p>Parliamentarian for Nevada Baptist Convention, 2010.</p>

National                   Member of Committee on Nominations. 1998.  
Teacher at Glorieta Writer's Conference. 1999, 2000, 2001.  
Speaker at Ridgecrest, 2006  
Keynote speaker for annual meeting of the Association of Baptist  
Ministries with the Aging (ABMA) Fayetteville, Georgia.

International   Keynote speaker for Lide-Walker Bible Conference Baguio City,  
Philippines January 2019.



