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(From Larry Towne, Area Representative from Central Midwest. The article was written by Rev. Tim Weis, pastor of Little River, Kansas Congregational Church, one of our newest CCCC congregations.)

“What is your favorite Bible passage?” Have you ever asked your congregation this question? Some might name a story like David and Goliath, while others might recite a comforting word like John 3:16. But if you asked, “What is the story of the whole Bible?” people might struggle for an answer. We’re familiar with parts of the Bible, but less certain about the whole message. Getting a grasp of the Bible’s overall story is a mission of the Congregational Church in Little River, Kansas, one of the newest members of the CCCC.

“We learned the four C’s and now we’re exploring the twelve C’s,” is how I often describe it. In the weeks leading up to the church’s formal welcome at the annual family conference in Waterloo, Iowa, Little River’s Sunday sermons meditated on each part of the CCCC doctrinal statement. As a congregation, we recited together the section of the statement in focus and then heard a message on that truth. “Looking at the faith statement intently for several weeks got us excited about joining the CCCC.

More recently, the church is focusing on 12 “C’s” to discover the story of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation — Creation, Chaos, Covenants, Crossing, Country, Cutting, Captivity, Comeback, Calm, Christ, Church and Consummation. We’re taking a big picture view of the Bible to discover how God is engaged in an epic mission to save people from sin and into an everlasting kingdom.

Little River is a small farming community of 500, located in central Kansas. The town doesn’t have a traffic light, but boasts of its post office, local bank, grocery store and other local businesses. It has a well-known, progressive school system that has aggressively integrated technology into the learning process. Its local telephone company recently installed a fiber optic line throughout town for high-speed Internet service.



Pastor Ted Weis

Founded in 1876, the Congregational Church has a long reputation of service to its community. For over fifty years, the church has sponsored an auction on the first Saturday of May. The sale raises money for church projects and mission outreaches. Also on sale day, kids enjoy riding the “leaping lizard” — a wagon with uneven wheels — and the “lollipop trolley” — a train of barrels pulled by a four-wheeler. The church has active men’s and women’s groups, a midweek Bible club for elementary aged children, and small group Bible studies. Sunday worship averages about 50. The church cooperates with the other two churches in town — United Methodist and Catholic — to put on events like Vacation Bible School, special worship services like Thanksgiving and Baccalaureate, and programs like “True Love Waits.”

What attracted the Little River Congregational Church to the CCCC was its commitment to Biblical truth and its historical roots in the Congregational movement.



“The discernment process that ultimately led to our choosing a new group to affiliate with really unified our church,” remarked church board chairman Steve Fisher.

“And when our delegation went to Waterloo for our first annual conference, we were warmly welcomed and knew immediately that we fit right into the CCCC family.”

Attention to doctrine and story is the balanced approach that the Little River church is taking to feed its people and make disciples of Jesus. The Bible is the world’s greatest story because it is God’s story. Our prayer is that people will discover how their story is part of God’s master story — that they will trust Jesus as Savior, grow in obedience to the Lord, and introduce others to the greatest story of all.

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Christian Ministry Isn't Easy

by Rev. Dr. Stephen Gammon, Conference Minister



Christian ministry isn't easy, is it? We may face exhaustion or opposition or persecution or frustration or hardship or pain! We were even told to expect this by Jesus and by the apostles. (John 16:33; Acts 14:22; Romans 5:3; James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:6-7)

There are those who have taught a flowery but false gospel that says if we yield ourselves fully to Jesus and have enough faith, we will always be prosperous and our way will be smooth. But in fact, sometimes following Jesus can be very difficult! Jesus even taught that following Him requires carrying a cross, which does not refer to wearing beautiful cross-shaped

jewelry, but refers to carrying an instrument of pain and death.

The fact that Christian ministry isn't always easy was not a complete surprise to me when I started out because I was blessed to be both a grandson and a son of pastors. I witnessed as a young boy that there is a cost to discipleship. Through the years I have experienced great joy in serving Jesus, and the blessings of serving Him are beyond all earthly measure. But along the way in my journey there have also been times when I have been discouraged by difficulties, and I have had many heart-to-heart conversations with CCC ministers and fellow pilgrims whose burdens were heavy and who so much needed a touch of encouragement from God's Holy Word.

This year I am celebrating a personal milestone of sorts. This is my 30-year anniversary of when I finished seminary and assumed the privilege and responsibilities of my pastoral calling! I have been looking back and savoring again some of the timeless Biblical principles God has taught me along the way. These are Biblical principles that transcend generations and cultures and ministry contexts, reminding us of how great and amazing God is and of how absolutely dependent we are upon Him, principles that teach us how to keep going and be victorious even if the way is difficult. These truths have been to me like a refreshing drink of cool water on a dry and thirsty day!

In this article and in other articles this summer I want to remember with you some timeless Biblical principles of Christian ministry we must never forget. The specific principle I am highlighting today is this: that Christian ministry is not and will not always be easy, for trials and triumphs will surely come!

This is demonstrated in Matthew 14:13-36. Jesus had just been informed that John the Baptist had been put to death by Herod. This was very sad news for Jesus, who in the fullness of His humanity experienced both trials and triumph! After receiving the news of John's death Jesus ministered to many thousands, feeding five thousand men plus women and children. Some time later, of course, after His suffering on the cross, came the glorious triumph of His empty tomb and eternal victory over sin and death! Should it surprise us then that we who follow Jesus would also experience both trials and triumphs? The disciples in this story had certainly enjoyed a great day

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of ministry with Christ. They witnessed many miracles, and even had front row seats to the feeding of thousands of people. But their stupendous day was followed by a long and very hard night of rowing against the wind!

Whenever trials come our way, let us prayerfully resist presuming that it must be because we have failed, and let us not conclude that God has abandoned us! Rather, let us remember this timeless principle of Christian ministry that Jesus taught and modeled: that trials and triumphs will surely come! But praise be to God; our Lord is with us!



Conservative Congregational Christian Conference
62nd Annual Family Conference

July 26-29 at Sheraton
Conference Center in
Springfield, Mass.

Those Who Wait upon the Lord

by Rev. Terry H. Shanahan, Northeast Regional Minister

But those who wait upon the LORD will renew their strength... Isaiah 40:31

Wherever I travel, I am making connections with pastors from all over the Northeast. I connected with Pastor Jim Watson at a Regional Fellowship meeting last spring. He told me about his work in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, the Twin Rivers Community Church, and we agreed that I would come for a visit. Scheduling being what it is, it was nearer to nine months before that came to pass. I have just recently come from worshipping with Jim and his congregation there.

I planned on preaching and bringing a word of encouragement to this 12-year-old church plant, but I was the one blessed and encouraged that day. They meet in a storefront in the downtown area of North Attleboro. Pastor Jim tells me the attendance varies greatly from week to week. But he has a vision from God to maintain a presence for the Lord right where he is. Sometimes, he says, he feels all alone and discouragement comes to him. But the Lord has given him affirmation that this is his call. And the Lord has also given him strength to meet the challenges. Over the years, Jim has established close ties to the community. I heard a number of stories of town events where the church was at the center of things. They truly are connected in Christ, changing their community.

He sent me the schedule for the morning of my visit. Worship was at 10:30 am. As it turned out, my visit was scheduled for the first Sunday of the month. He added a note that said they held communion at 9:30 a.m. and I was welcome to join them.

I left home early, curious about the early communion. We arrived in time to hear the praise team warming up for the service. That always lifts me up. After a while we gathered

in the chairs and Pastor Jim began to talk with us about the communion we were about to partake. He spoke of his working through a book called, *Forgotten God*, and the current small group study *Experiencing God*. He talked about what communion meant to him and how humbled he felt by it. After a while,

he broke the bread and gave the invitation to the table, but added that we should spend as much time as needed in examining ourselves before we came to the table. The Apostle Paul's warning was given to not approach the table in an unworthy manner.

We bowed our heads and began to listen to God, trying to see our lives in His eyes. Confessing and praising and thanking God for the gift of his Son, we spent the time, with no pressure to hurry, the lessons we were learning.

As each one finished their time of solitude with the Lord, they would come forward and partake. When all had come, Pastor Jim closed us in prayer. It was now time for worship. I was amazed at the time that had been given to this sacrament. It was so meaningful. We so often sandwich it in after a full service, with everyone antsy to leave. But this was a wonderful opportunity to wait upon the Lord, and receive His gift to us.

As I visit churches, I keep track of all the things I would love to do if the Lord leads me back into a settled pastorate. This approach to communion is on the top of my list.



Who Will Grab the Prayer Baton?

by Rev. John Sawyer, Spiritual Life Committee chairman

A similar question was asked of Isaiah (6:8) over 2700 years ago, and he responded, "Here am I." One hundred years earlier Jonah ran from the question and took up residence in a big fish, where he learned to pray the hard way. However, 300 years before Jonah, Samuel (1 Samuel 12:21) grabbed the baton, saying he would not sin against God by not praying for his people. Later, Jesus commands His disciples and us to *pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.* (Matthew 9:38)

Now, we all know many who have truly obeyed by taking hold of the prayer baton and running with it. However, many of these dear folk have gone to glory, and those remaining are looking for "ready hearts" who will reach out and take their baton. Will you? Prayer opportunities are listed in the 2010 CCCC Weekly Prayer Plan. I will be glad to e-mail you a copy of it weekly; please e-mail me at Hishouse@peoplepc.com. Each week, please remember these friends in our Conference who are serving you. You will be glad you did.

Promotions to Glory

Rev. Harvey Pierce, Essex, Massachusetts, born February 15, 1919, died February 9, 2010. He joined the CCCC in 1963. His wife's name is Lorraine.

Jesse W. James, Little Falls, Minnesota, born February 12, 1923, died March 23, 2010, joined the CCCC in 1965. He pastored the South Elmdale Congregational Church, (now Community Country Church and became pastor emeritus in 2000) Holdingford, Minnesota five years; at Grace Congregational Church, Milwaukee Wisconsin six years; and Congregational Christian Church, Lincoln, Kansas, nine years. He is survived by his wife Ellen.

Shirley M. Breiner, born December 13, 1934, died March 28, 2010, joined the CCCC in 1998. She had been pastor of St. John's Church in Port Clinton, Pennsylvania for over 15 years. She is survived by her husband Charles.

Expressions of the Work of the Holy Spirit...

by Dr. Ron Hamilton, CCCC Director of Church Multiplication

We believe that we are on the verge of seeing many people reached with the Gospel through a church multiplication movement that will sweep across our nation. The



Conservative Congregational Christian Conference has joined other Christians in our nation in making extraordinary followers of Jesus through a church planting movement that raises up new churches that love God, love others and make disciples.

The last significant church planting efforts in our nation originated in the early 1980s and lasted about twenty years. Much of the teaching that planters received during this period was quite “model specific.” Planters were exposed to what happened at “Church A” with the expectation that they could establish a similar ministry in their location. While this worked in some settings, a majority of planters failed to realize that they possessed different gifts than the pastor at “Church A” and that their community was quite different than that of “Church A.” Many church plants floundered and some failed because

they could not measure up to the standard that they had imposed on themselves.

Our current approach to church planting is not “model specific.” We believe that our new churches will be diverse in their approach to ministry representing various expressions of the movement of the Spirit in the local church. All church planters are not alike since each planter is uniquely gifted and equipped for their ministry. Every community is unique and requires a special approach to ministry to reach the people residing there. The core group of a church plant represents a unique mix of gifts that will determine how that church ministry develops. This reflects the teaching of God’s Word which says, *There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.* (1 Corinthians 12:6–7)

Our new churches share a common commitment to become “disciple-making communities” where people discover a relationship with Jesus and learn how to live that out daily. But each of our new churches looks much different because each one is a unique expression of the work of God’s Spirit.

It All Comes Down to These

by Dr. John Kimball, CCCC Director of Conference Care and Church Redevelopment

“Don’t you just hate that?” a colleague recently asked, referring to the way members of a certain congregation acted during a business meeting. “It must just grieve Jesus’ heart.” He’s right.

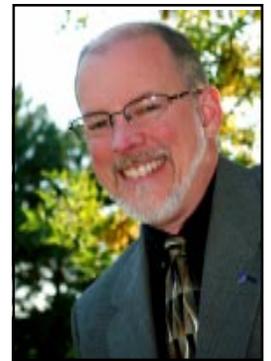
When Christians display wrath toward one another, it is a clear indication that the foundation of authentic, Christ-centered love is missing. The Christian life and experience, in fact all Christian ministry, is driven by such love. Without it, we’re rendered impotent. So important is this love factor to the believer’s life and witness, that Paul warns when such love is missing we are reduced to worthless noisemakers that gain nothing of eternal value (1 Corinthians 13:1–3). It is not that we do not teach and hold one another accountable, but when we do we are commanded to “speak the truth in love” (Ephesians 4:15), for this leads to maturity. Jesus himself commanded us to “love one another” (John 13:34), and told us that this is the primary way the world around us will know that we belong to Him (John 13:35).

The source of this love is God himself (1 John 4:7–8). How we love one another (and, for that matter, how we extend Christ’s love to the world around us) is an unmistakable barometer of how we love God (1 John 4:20–21). *Let that sink in.* If you are having trouble loving a brother or sister in Christ, then you must also be having trouble in your love relationship with God (1 John 4:11–12, 16, 20–21). The love of God always comes first. Out of that love comes our love for one another. And when this love is lived out as it should

be, it is sincere, devoted, other-oriented, zealous, harmonious, truthful, trustworthy and perseverant among other things (Romans 12:9–21; 1 Corinthians 13:1–7).

This love is so vital to healthy Christianity that it is a key factor in both personal discipleship and church development. It has three primary expressions — expressions that must be evident in the life of both the believer and the church:

1. We Love God — *And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.”* (Matthew 22:37–38)
2. We Love One Another — *And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* (Matthew 22:39)
3. We Make Disciples as We Go — *And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”* (Matthew 28:18–20)



We call this the “Irreducible Core” of Christianity, and we believe that the order is important: We must first love God with every fiber of our being. This is *primarily* an issue of faithful obedience to his rule and reign. It is only when we love God as we should that we can then love one another correctly. We love the same way Jesus loves (John 13:34). And when we truly love those around us, we will desire to be

instruments of authentic, Christ-centered transformation in their lives — leading them to encounter Christ and then embrace him fully as Lord.

What does your own love look like in these three areas? Most importantly, how healthy is your love of our triune God (because if that is not right, the other points are moot)?

Seminars Announced for 62nd Annual Family Conference

One of the features of this year’s Annual Family Conference is more than 40 timely seminars on many subjects of vital interest to churches today. Among those are the following:

Technology

- “Creating and Maintaining a Christ-Honoring Church Presence for Your Church on the World Wide Web” (Ben Moore and Chuck Clark)
- “The God-Honoring Use of Media and Its Effects in Worship” (Ken McGarvey and Chuck Clark)

Youth Ministry

- “Youth Ministry with Small Numbers” (Dwight Hord)
- “Helping Chaperones become Youth Leaders” (Dwight Hord)
- “Teaming Up with Parents for Effective Youth Ministry” (Pat Street)
- “Positive Youth Discipleship” (Pat Street)

Church Redevelopment

- “Identity — Who Are We in Christ?” (Ed Rinehart and Rich Cook)
- “Lifeflow of Church Development” (Todd Venman and Dave Balicki)
- “The Value of Assessment” (John Kimball)
- “Redevelopment Roundtable” (Ed Rinehart and the CCCC Redevelopment Committee)

History and Education

- “The Two Hundredth Anniversary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions” (Phil Corr)
- “Educational Options for our Children and the Church” (Victoria Kennedy)

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- “Introduction to the CCCC” (Dave Meckley and the Conference Education Committee)

Church Multiplication

- “Organic Church Planting” (Tom Johnston and Mike Perkinson)
- “Church Multiplication and the CCCC” (Ron Hamilton and Paul McPheeters)
- “Connecting with Your Community” (Matt Milligan)
- “Engaging the Urban Culture” (Alex Choi)

The Annual Family Conference is central in the life of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference, and has been for 62 years. Inspirational speakers, outstanding music, excellent accommodations and warm fellowship mark these gatherings.

The Conference moves each year so that each region sometimes hosts the event. This year it will be held July 26–29 at the Sheraton Conference Center in Springfield, Massachusetts. Registration forms are available at member churches, at the home office in Lake Elmo, Minnesota and online at www.cccusa.com.

Short Term Mission Report on Bangkok

by Mel McGinnis, pastor of Kiantone Congregational Church, Jamestown, New York

I went to Bangkok for the month of September. I taught English daily at the Santisuk School, which is an outreach of Peace Fellowship Church pastored by Steve Cable, a missionary whom we sponsor at Kiantone Congregational. The English classes involved pronunciation, grammar and sentence construction. Each lesson contained a passage from the Bible, which the students read and answered questions about. My class was an introduction to Jesus through the passages that show him exhibiting his power over the demonic, nature and death. I taught two separate classes with about six or eight students in each class.

I also preached a sermon for the church on a Friday night, which is the usual time the church meets. I preached from Philippians 3 on “God calls us to a life of pressing on.” Steve interpreted for me and did an excellent job!

I also gave devotionals for the sports outreaches they have. I did them at basketball and badminton, and thoroughly enjoyed it! It worked out very well. In fact, I’m planning to go back in April to do the devotionals at the sports camp they are planning in early May. So I am looking forward to it and am thankful for the assistance I received in getting there this past year for the month of September.

Our Mission in Haiti

by Pastor Karl & Ann Olsson

I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land... (Ezekiel 22:30) This has been our mandate from God for the past 12 years living in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

We arrived as missionaries in 1998, and our first year we established a guesthouse for adoptive parents, medical teams, etc. However, within that year we were asked to accept the position of Senior Pastor for Quisqueya Chapel, a nondenominational, international, evangelical, English-speaking church in Port-au-Prince. The congregation of 300 includes many nationals, North Americans, and others from countries all over the world who represent many different denominations — definitely a challenging, but very rewarding



ministry. After ten years of pastoral ministry, we sensed from God a new direction, so we helped the Chapel find another pastor of God's choosing, and we stepped away the end of July, 2009.

Our new ministry revolved around this same theme of Ezekiel 22:30, but in different directions. Karl had a burden to help Haitian pastors who didn't have the opportunity to go to Bible school or seminary, and began teaching seminars, which were



enthusiastically received. Ann was working in the pharmacy of a neighborhood medical clinic and enjoying that very much, and we helped in other ways as well. Our life was full and rewarding.

THEN — January 12, 2010 came. At 5:43 p.m. a 7.0 earthquake hit Haiti, and in those 45 seconds everything changed — for us, the Haitian people, and Haiti as a whole. We were inside our house, and in those 45 seconds, we heard the earthquake explode with a very loud noise and then watched our house sway back and forth — the noise of it was horrible. Neither of us had ever experienced anything that frightening in our lives. When it was over, our house stood and we were alive, and praised God for His cover and protection. At that time we didn't realize the damage in Port-au-Prince. Little did we know that 230,000 had been killed and many thousands seriously injured, including over 4000 people needing amputation of arms and/or legs.

In 45 seconds, our ministry changed to that of giving relief to as many people as possible. Five days after the quake, through Convoy of Hope relief organization, medical care, good drinking water and food was available to dazed, injured, and hungry people. The next week we registered over 530 families and gave food to others not registered, thus helping around 4000 people. Several different organizations including orphanages, schools and refugee camps also received help. Now Convoy of Hope has asked us to distribute Sawyer water filters, an easy system to use. School directors and pastors have asked us to distribute these filters to their families, which we've been doing. But when people receive the filters, Karl gives a short message about the good water they can have through the water filter, but how much better to receive the Living Water of God that feeds the soul and gives refreshment to the body.

The apostle Paul says in Ephesians 1:12–14 that his ministry took a turn because of his chains but the gospel advanced and encouragement was given through the gospel of Christ. In spite of great suffering by Haiti and her people, hundreds have come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Like Paul, we have been given a great opportunity to share the truth as well. Just this month one church we know has over 200 conversions to Christ and held a baptismal service at Quisqueya Chapel. Praise God!

We thank God for having us in place for such a time as this. Please pray for us as we continue to present the gospel of truth in many ways to the people of a country we've come to love so much, Haiti.

In Him,

Karl and Ann Olsson

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Adjusting to Change

by Ken McGarvey

There is a saying, “Insanity is repeating the same action while expecting different results.” It sounds cute, but isn’t right. You see, the saying makes a grand assumption — that externals do not change. Yet in life they always do. Salesmen repeat the same lines for many potential customers; sometimes they work, sometimes not. Colonel Sanders pitched his special recipe to many potential investors before succeeding.

Thousands of churches have died trying to use a formula that succeeded in other churches, but wasn’t made for them. Still others are doing ministry the same way they did it in the 1950s and 1960s. Why? Because it did work for them — then. But the externals have changed. We have changed, society has changed, technology has changed, attitudes have changed. A successful athlete may try to play his game the same every time, but the results continually differ, because not only do his efforts differ, but the externals are constantly in flux.

We as Christians need to be continually aware of the changes around us and adjust to them. Yesterday’s answers may not work — not because they were not good, but because the externals are continually changing. Ideas that work in California may well not work in Indiana. People in Church A are not the people in Church B. And leader A’s gifts differ from those of leader B, as per Ron Hamilton on page 4.

Let us pray for God’s guidance and be alert to the people, the gifts, the community and the history of those with whom we are working.

Automobile Needed

CCCC missionaries Alden and Ginny Barrows are in need of a car for the three months they will be in the States. They will be flying from Brazil, where they serve, to Kansas City May 10, and back from there August 10. If someone has a car they can use for that time, please contact Ron Hamilton at the CCCC office.

Health Tips

Driving drunk is hazardous. Did you know driving while drowsy is just as deadly? Lack of sleep makes it harder to react quickly to changing events on the roadway. If you have trouble keeping your eyes focused, are continually yawning or can not recall driving the last few miles, you are too drowsy to drive.

Skimping on sleep, even by one hour, can make it tough to focus the next day and slow your response time. When you lack sleep you are more likely to make bad decisions and take more risks, increasing your risk for a car crash.

Some tips for a good night’s sleep include sticking to a schedule for going to sleep and waking up — even on the weekends. Complete your exercise for the day 5–6 hours before bedtime.

Avoid caffeine and nicotine up to 8 hours before bedtime.

Avoid alcohol at bedtime since it tends to keep you in a lighter stage of sleep and you may wake up once the sedating effects have worn off.

Large meals and beverages late in the evening need to be avoided to prevent heartburn and frequent urination.

Consider early afternoon naps instead of naps after 3 p.m. Keep any nap under an hour.

Prior to bedtime try taking a warm bath or unwind with another relaxing activity — reading or listening to relaxing music.

Keep your bedroom free of distractions from sleep — bright lights, computer, tv.

As you practice good sleep habits, your overall health will improve and decrease your risk for high blood pressure and other medical conditions. You will also function better the next day and drive safer!

Source: national institutes of health, national heart, lung and blood institute.

Betty Mitchell, RN, Parish Nurse
Emmanuel Bethel Church
Royal Oak, MI

Changes and Opportunities

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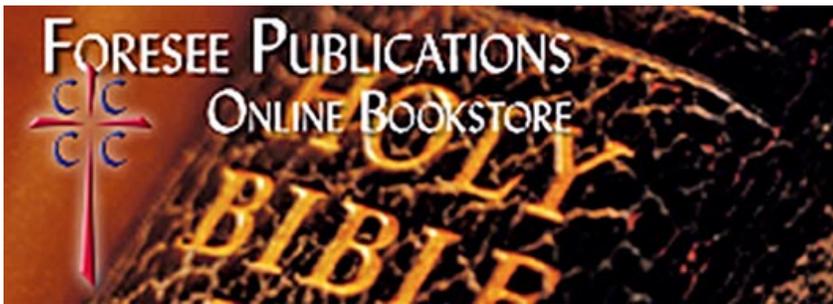
Mishawaka, IN	New Life Christian Fellowship (Ind.)	Stan Dudka
Edina, MN	Colonial Church *	Daniel Harrell

Pastoral Openings:

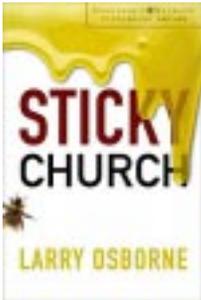
Carlsbad, CA	Carlsbad Community Church *
Pasadena, CA	Lake Avenue Church (Pastor of Adult Ministries) *
Pomfret, CT	First Congregational Church *
Buffalo Center, IA	First Congregational Church *
Garner, IA	Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church *
Treynor, IA	Zion Congregational Church *
Paul, ID	Ebenezer Congregational Church *
Rockland, ID	Rockland Congregational Church (Part-time) *
Chelmsford, MA	Immanuel Church *
Medway, MA	Community Church of West Medway *
Traverse City, MI	First Congregational Church (Ind.)
Mantorville, MN	First Congregational Church *
Kulm, ND	First Congregational Church *
Amherst, NH	Souhegan Christian Church (Ind.)
Berkshire, NY	First Congregational Church *
Lake Grove, NY	First Congregational Church of New Village (Youth & Music Pastor)
Lowell, OH	St. John’s Evangelical Church (UCC)
Scotland, SD	United Church of Christ (UCC)
Suffolk, VA	Cypress Chapel Christian Church *
Wilton, WI	Faith Congregational Church *

* = Conference member

+ = In process



Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.
Psalm 25: 5



Sticky Church

Sticky Church tells the inspiring story of North Coast Church's phenomenal growth and offers practical tips for launching your own sermon-based small group ministry. *Sticky Church* is an ideal book for church leaders who want to start or retool their small group ministry and velcro their congregation to the Bible and each other.

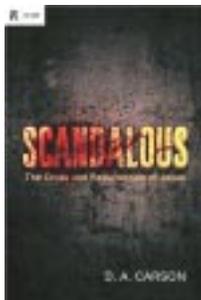
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Your Price \$13.97



Sticky Teams

Serving as a church leader can be a tough assignment. Whatever your role, odds are you've known your share of the frustration, conflict, and disillusionment that comes with silly turf battles, conflicting vision, and marathon meetings. Now with warm encouragement and penetrating insights he shares his secrets to building and maintaining a healthy and unified ministry team that sticks together for the long haul.

List Price \$16.99
Your Price \$11.97



Scandalous

The Cross and Resurrection of Jesus

This latest addition to the Re:Lit series, which highlights important theological truths in accessible and applicable ways. Through exposition of five primary passages of Scripture, Carson helps us to more fully understand and appreciate the scandal of the cross.

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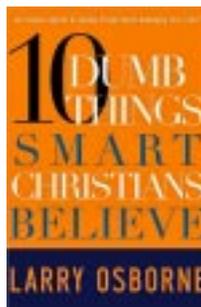


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