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**Education:**

Undergraduate:

*Bachelor of Science in Education*, Murray State University, 1998.

Masters:

*Masters of Divinity in Christian Education*, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2003.

Doctoral:

*Doctor of Ministry in Expository Preaching*, Union University

Dissertation/Project Title: "*Developing an Intentional Strategy to Disciple Adults at Clarkson Baptist Church*"

**Professional Experience:**

Graduate Adjunct Faculty, Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, Pineville, KY 2022 – present.

**Publications:**

**Books and Monographs:**

*Twentieth Century Kentucky Baptist Biographies*, Contributing Writer & Editor, Fields Publishing, Nashville, 2012.

*Twentieth Century Kentucky Baptist Biographies Vol. II*, Contributing Writer & Editor, Fields Publishing, Nashville, 2016.

*Nineteenth Century Kentucky Baptist Biographies*, Contributing Writer & Editor, Fields Publishing, Nashville, 2019.

*The Richly Indwelling Word, A 365 Day Devotional*, Contributing Writer & Editor, Hepzibah, AL, 2018-2023.

*Preparing to Pastor: A Practical Approach to Pastoral Ministry*, Contributing Writer & Editor, Bible College Press, Pineville, KY, 2024.

**Professional Memberships, Service & Awards:**

Sigma Chi Social Fraternity, Ritual Chairman 1994 & Vice-President 1995, Murray State University, 1991-1996.

Eagle Scout Award, Boy Scouts of America, 1990. Involvement with Scouting from 1980-1990.

**Field Experience:**

Baptist Student Union Spring Break Mission trip participant and student leadership.

Miami, FL – hurricane relief, landscape service projects, door to door evangelism, construction and deconstruction, 1993.

South Padre Island, TX Beach Reach, prayer walking & chapel ministry, street evangelism, van rides ministry, beach gospel conversations, pancake breakfast worker, hot base call center coordinator, 1994 & 1995.

Panama City Beach, FL Beach Reach, prayer walking & chapel ministry, street evangelism, van rides ministry, beach gospel conversations, pancake breakfast, hot base call center coordinator, 1996 & 1997.

Mission trip planner, leader & co-leadership for youth ministry and adult 7-10 day mission trips 2005-2021.

Nashville, TN.(1 week, MFuge, inner city ministry),  
Pittsburgh, PA. (10 days, VBS, church revitalization, food distribution),  
Des Moines, IA.(10 days, 5 consecutive summers, youth choir, inner city ministry),  
Bay St. Louis, MS.(10 days, youth choir, hurricane relief),  
Meridian, MS.(10 days, 2 Summers, youth choir, hurricane relief, VBS),  
Toledo, OH.(10 days, youth choir, inner city ministry),  
Pineville, KY. (9 days, college improvement projects, youth choir, church ministry, vbs),  
Oneida, KY., (4 week-long trips, 4 consecutive years, farm work, landscaping, property Improvement, student ministry)

### Courses Taught:

Masters Level - *Interpersonal Skills*, MINI508, *Clear Creek Baptist Bible College*, Pineville, KY

### Church / Ministry Experience <in reverse Chronological order--most recent to most distant>

2017 - present Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church, Franklin, KY  
2012-2017 Pastor, Clarkson Baptist Church, Clarkson, KY  
2006-2012 Minister to Youth & Children, First Baptist Church, Martin, TN  
2001-2006 Youth Pastor, First Baptist Church, Benton, KY  
1999-2001 Youth Minister, Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Louisville, KY  
1999-Present Regular Devotional Speaker, *Fellowship of Christian Athletes* in Middle Schools and High Schools in Louisville, KY, Martin, TN, Leitchfield, KY, Franklin, KY  
1998 Summer Youth Intern, First Baptist Church, Murray, KY  
1996-1997 Summer Staff Counselor, Centrifuge Camps, Lifeway Christian Resources.  
1994-1995 Summer Staff Counselor, Kentucky Baptist Convention Son-Teams.  
1995-1997 BSU Student Intern, Murray State University, Murray, KY

### Other Experience:

2017-Present First Baptist Church, Franklin, KY Ex-Officio Member of every church team, especially Church Leadership Council, Nominating Team, Organizational Team, Worship Ministry Team, Stewardship Team, Constitution & By-Laws Team, Missions Team, Safety & Security Team, Deacons, Benevolence Team, Recreation & Church Fellowship Team.  
2023-present Prepare and facilitate weekly Staff Discipleship Group, Mondays at 8:00 a.m. Scripture memory, book chapter and lead discussion. Material: Robby Gallaty, Replicate.org  
2023-present Prepare and facilitate Men's Small Group Discipleship each Tuesday morning at 7:30 with *Christ Centered Expository* Commentary series.  
2019-2023 Led and Motivated four ministerial search teams, one after the death of a minister.  
2022-2023 Interim Youth Minister, during search for full time minister.  
2021-2024 Assistant Teacher, Young Adult Journey Bible Study class – FBC, Franklin KY  
2017-2024 Substitute Teacher, Encourager Bible Study Class – FBC, Franklin KY  
2012-2017 Clarkson Baptist Church, Ex-Officio member of every church service committee, especially Nominating Committee, Finance Committee, Constitution & By-Laws Committee, Trustees Committee, Deacons, Benevolence Committee,  
2012-2014 Interim Youth Minister, and Youth Sunday School Teacher.

2014-2017      Young Couples & Singles Sunday School class teacher, Clarkson Baptist Church.  
2006-2012      Partnered with *Student Leadership Network* of West TN., uniting seven Youth Ministries together to present the CONNECT Evangelism Rally each fall. Budget for this event was \$10-\$20,000 annually in partial coordination with TN Baptist Convention Youth Ministry Department. 3,000-6,000 students in attendance.

**Ordained to the Ministry of the Gospel** by First Baptist Church, Benton, KY, 2003.

**Selected References:**

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