

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8.

MISSION

Voted by the Ohio Association, 4/30/2015

The Barnabas Ministry Pastor of the Ohio Association of Conservative Congregational Christian Churches will enhance the ministry of Christian missionaries, church planters, and pastors by offering Biblically based, Spirit-empowered **prayer**, **encouragement**, and **support**, to them in their ministry context (Acts 4:36).

This will further the mission of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference by promoting healthy church multiplication and healthy pastors from a context of believing prayer and intercession.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work with the Officers of the Ohio Association of Conservative Congregational Christian Churches to formulate short and long term goals.
- In addition to prayer, encouragement, and support, offer professional coaching in accord with the standards of the International Coaching Federation to Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (4C's) pastors at the suggestion of an Ohio 4C's Community Pastor, a 4C's Area Representative, or the national 4C's Minister of Conference Care.
- Raise support to subsidize salary and expenses in a manner authorized, overseen and administered by the Officers
 of the Ohio Association of Conservative Congregational Christian Churches.
- Prepare an annual report for the spring business meeting of the Ohio Association of Conservative Congregational Christian Churches previously reviewed and approved by its Officers. This report will include a reviewed financial report.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

- The Barnabas Ministry Pastor of the Ohio Association of Conservative Congregational Christian Churches shall be accountable to the Association through its Officers as defined in Article VI:1 of the Association's constitution.
- The service of the Barnabas Ministry Pastor will conclude upon written 3 months' notice by the Barnabas Ministry Pastor to the Officers, or written 3 months' notice signed by 3 of the 4 Officers.

VISION

Voted by the Ohio Association 4/27/2021

The vision of the Ohio Association Barnabas Ministry is to provide a desired space where missionaries, church planters, and pastors can be their true self and seek to walk in the paths that the Holy Spirit is praying for them - Romans 8:26-27, Ephesians 2:10.

In the next 4-5 years the Barnabas Ministry will seek to replicate this priority in a manner approved by the Ohio Association, in support of and in collaboration with the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference.



MINISTRY UPDATE

OA Spring Meeting, May 7, 2025

(Priorities: blue = Nineveh Network church multiplication, green = Nehemiah Network church development)

Coaching Overview

<u>4C's Co-Director of Nineveh Network Coaches</u>. MOU with Bryan Long renewed. Creating & developing a training and support system for Nineveh Network coaches, "beta" cohort co-led w/ Paul McPheeters: Gloucester, MA (July), Buffalo, NY (October), Zoom (February), Seattle, WA (April), Orlando, FL (August). Recommendation being drafted by Paul McPheeters. MOU with Peter Wood in process.

Current total ICF coaching hours: 379

Current active coaching contracts – (8) and cohorts – (1).

Projected total 2025 ICF coaching hours: 435. 500 required for PCC credentialing.

ICF ACC recredentialing CEU's completed -

Coaching the Whole Person (Creative Results Management, 15 CEUs)

Coaching Excellence w/ Mentor-Coaching, (CRM, 15 CEU's, 10 mentor-coaching. This training was paid for by the Nineveh Network.)

Coaching Leaders (CRM, 15)

Our Brains and Change: Using Neuroscience to Produce Better Outcomes (Wisconsin, 1.5)

2nd round ICF ACC recredentialing successfully accomplished.

Presentations & Research

"Colossians 1:24: 'I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of His body.' – Hermeneutical Overview and Proposal"

- The Annual Gathering of ABC-Ohio, Columbus, OH, October 2023
- The Annual Meeting of the Northeast Region of the Evangelical Theological Society, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, South Hamilton, MA, March 2024
- The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Region of the Evangelical Theological Society, Cedarville University, Cedarville, OH, March 2025 (cancelled due to Joanne's surgery).

Will be submitted for publication in the Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society.

"Expanded Levels of Awareness in Coaching." Published in the winter edition of Christian Coaching Magazine. www.christiancoachingmag.com

Next: "Take-aways From Those Who've Left Ministry." Research 2 years. Goal: submit for publication by Dec. 2027.

Seminars

From Surviving to Thriving: Or, How to Beat the Burnout Blues

- 2023 Annual Gathering of the 4C's, St. Cloud, MN [also offered at the 2019 & 2022 AG's]

Self-Awareness and Service: How Aware Are You?

- 2024 Annual Gathering of the 4C's, Providence, RI

"The Paranormal and Prayer;" also, "From Burnout to Flourishing"

- Submitted for the 2025 Annual Gathering of the 4C's in Orlando, FL

Local Church Ministry Nov. 2021 – Dec. 2024: Interim Pastor, Newman Baptist Church, Massillon, OH Smaller church ministry fifteen years from now: Closed? Or.....? And why?

Conferences Attended

The Northeast Region of the Evangelical Theological Society, South Hamilton, MA (3/24)

4C's Nehemiah Network Summit, Celebration, FL (4/24)

4C's Annual Gathering, Providence, RI (7/24)

ABC Ohio Annual Gathering, Columbus, OH (10/24)

Nehemiah Network Newburyport, MA (4/25). Forthcoming: "Alignment" Discipleship Process.

4C's Annual Gathering, Orlando, FL (8/25). Cohort Modality recommendation being submitted to Bryan Long. 4C's Nineveh Network Summit (1/26)