

Randall L Stone

Lead Consultant and Coach

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Uniquely experienced with four decades of local church ministry coupled with twenty years of academic instruction and leadership. Demonstrates future focused strategic thinking balancing both content and context. Pioneer in effective church ministry systems as well as academic program development and management. Stellar record of personalized supervision and guidance.



PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Lead Consultant and Coach, Strategic Church Solutions March 2008 – Present

PAVE Church Revitalization Coach & Regional PAVE Coordinator (Greater Houston)

Texas Baptist Church Health & Growth August 2024 – Present

Discipleship and Equipping Pastor

Fellowship of Montgomery, Montgomery, TX November 2024- July 2025

Interim Equipping Pastor

First Baptist Church, Columbia, MS June 2023 – January 2024

Interim Associate Pastor, Discipleship and Administration

2022 Greenwell Springs Baptist Church, LA March 2022 – November

Discipleship Pastor, Minister of Education or Similar roles at the following:

2019-2021 Bedico Baptist Church, Ponchatoula, LA

2013-2015 Bogue Falaya Baptist Church, Folsom, LA

2003-2011 Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX

2000-2003 Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA

1994-2000 Zoar Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA

1990-1994 Parkwood Baptist Church, Concord, NC

1987-1990 Arlington Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

1985-1987 Bethany Baptist Church, Kansas City, MO

1976-1985 Multiple Churches in Lake Charles, LA

Secular Work Experience

Operations, Conoco (Vista) Chemical Plant Westlake, LA, 1981-1985

EDUCATION

2004 **PhD, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Church Growth Emphasis**

2004 **ThM, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana**

1987 **MRE, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri**

1979 **BS, McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana**

ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

July 2024 – Present **Adjunct Instructor, Doctoral Supervisor**

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

May 2011 – July 2024 **Professor of Christian Education (Retired)**

Director, Doctor of Education and Doctor of Educational Ministry Programs

Division Chair, Discipleship and Ministry Leadership

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

2007 –2011 **Adjunct Instructor**

Liberty University Online, Lynchburg, VA

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX

Ministry Leadership

- Multiple Local Church Staff Positions
- Strategic Ministry Process and Program Administration
- Coaching and Mentoring Emerging Leaders
- Consultation and Support Teams for Denominational Networks
- Frequent Presenter at Local, Regional, and National Training Events

Academic & Organizational Leadership

- Doctoral Program Administrator
- Division Chair,
- Academic Leadership Council, Curriculum Committee, NOBTS
- Board Member, Professional Organizations
- Initiated and Led Professional Collaboratives
- Denominational Organizations and Ministry Teams

SKILLS

- Trend Analysis and Strategic Planning
- Church Ministry Assessment and Evaluation

RECENT PUBLICATIONS and RESEARCH PROJECTS

“DiscipleMaking: Contemporary Approach of Discipleship and Evangelism.” Curriculum, C2Press, Summer 2025

“An Exploration of Doctoral Supervision and Engagement between Professional Doctoral Students and Project Mentors.” *Journal of Christian Ministry*. Publication, 2024

“Adult Ministry,” *Christian Education: A Guide to the Foundations of Ministry*. Freddy Cordoza, ed. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2019

“Outreach and Evangelism through Sunday School and Small Group Ministry,” *Engage: Tools for Contemporary Evangelism*. Wm Craig Price ed. New Orleans: New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. 2019

“Integrating Discipleship and Ministry Leadership: A Biblical and Philosophical Foundation,” *Together We Equip*. Jody Dean and Hal Stewart, eds. Bloomington, IN: Westbow Press, 2018

“Models of Disciplemaking: Traditional to Contemporary,” and “Essential Players in Discipleship Process,” *Indispensable: Becoming an MVP in Disciplemaking*. Randy Stone, John McClendon, Jim Estep, eds., 2018

Co Editor, *Indispensable*, Jim Estep Editor and John McClendon , *Indispensable: Becoming an MVP in Disciplemaking*. Randy Stone, John McClendon, Jim Estep, eds., 2018

“An Investigation of the Relationship between Pastoral Transition and Staff Retention.” NOBTS. Spring 2018.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Offices & Positions

Board Member, Disciple Leaders Network, 2022-2024

Board Member, Baptist Association of Christian Educators 2014-2019
Representative - Seminaries and Colleges, Vice Chair 2019

Coaching Project, Sunday School – Discipleship Department 2012-2018
Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, Louisiana

Board of Directors, Difference Makers Ministries 2007-2012

Denominational Leadership

Creator and Coordinator, “Discipleship Pastors 511” North Shore, New Orleans, LA June 2020 - 2024

Founder & President, Capitol City Ministers of Education 1996-2003

Contract Employee, Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, LA 2002-2003

Director ACTeam (Associational Consultant Team), GBABR, Baton Rouge, LA 1996-2002

Director ASSISTeam, Cabarrus Baptist Association, Concord, NC 1991-1994

RECENT PRESENTATIONS and CONFERENCES

“Pastoral Transition and Staff Retention” (January 2024) and “Identifying and Managing Critical Issues in Contemporary Ministry” (October 2023) on *Speak Life* Podcast with Bill DuVall, Executive Director - Blair Center for Training and Pastoral Health Southwest Baptist University

“Societal Shifts Shaping Ministry” Gulf Coast Association Pastor’s Conference, Gulfport, MS, October 10, 2023

“Called to Serve: Living and Leading with a Mission” IMPACT Training Mississippi Baptist Mission Board. Roseland Park Baptist Church, Picayune, MS August 24, 2023, FBC, Brookhaven, MS August 110, 2023

Conference Convener and Moderator, Academic Presentations, Disciple Leaders Network, Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, April 19, 2023

“Metaverse: Applications and Implications for Christian Education.” Disciple Leaders Network, Annual Meeting Nashville, TN April 19, 2023

“Small Groups with Purpose” Podcast with Steve Gladen, for Georgia Baptist Discipleship, Host P J Dunn May 5, 2022, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BOMUGGu0YFw>

“TechniLearning: Best Teaching Practices for Effective Engagement of Distance Students in Professional Doctoral Programs” Webinar Presentation for ADME (Association of Directors of Ministry Educators) May 6, 2021

“Leading Great Groups,” “The I's Have It: Creating Biblical Community” and “Sustainable Discipleship” Connect Group Leader Training, Hillcrest Church, Pensacola, FL Aug 29, 2020

A complete list of conference titles available at www.strategicchurchsolutions.com