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Senior Leadership Executive

Distinguished executive, visionary leader, author and communicator of Christian leadership principles and practices, whose insights have been forged on the anvil of diverse cross-cultural experiences in higher education, church ministry, corporate business and international leadership.

SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

- **Nationally Recognized Visionary on Christian Leadership**, who moves easily between *thinking* and *doing*; with the corporate and academic background that provides a unique blend of business, ministry and educational insights.
- **Seasoned Executive** uniquely qualified with 30 years of creative leadership experience delivering innovative new programs/products; increasing revenues by >200%, improving participation by >100%, recharged leadership, and revitalizing organizations.
- **Executive Change-Agent** with proven experience in large, complex organizations; extensive business acumen in strategic planning, decision-making, problem solving, public relations and marketing, conflict management, staff/team development, budgeting/finance and fundraising.
- **Versatile and Collaborative Leader** with the knack of building productive relationships and leading people in the right direction while cutting through the clutter and getting to the real issues.
- **Founder and President** of far-reaching leadership training and consulting 501(C)3 organization with impressive global penetration and online following.
- **Leadership Consultant** to corporations, educational institutions, non-profits, denominations and non-denominational churches that resulted in business and/or ministry growth, international outreach, increased development, and improved branding and visibility.
- **Exceptional, Articulate and Skilled Communicator, Speaker, and Writer** effective at all levels of stakeholders across all platforms.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LEADERSHIP DYNAMICS, INC., Lakeland, FL 1997–present

President/Founder

- ♦ Launched and led 501(C)3 consulting and leadership training organization that has delivered business growth, increased profitability, brand extension, improved employee morale, and vibrant leadership transformation across broad spectrum of secular and Christian organizations both nationally and internationally (Africa, India, Caribbean, Mexico, Canada).
- ♦ Developed technologically savvy leadership content that inspired 5000+ LinkedIn followers, 20K X (Twitter) followers, and 2700+ Facebook followers and “likes” on multiple sites.
- ♦ Regular expert guest and collaborator on monthly leadership segment for *Real Success Radio*, discussing topics such as leadership motivation, effectiveness, integrity, and recovery from failures.

Administrative/Faculty Positions

WHITEFIELD COLLEGE & THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Lakeland, FL 2017–2021

Chief Academic Officer

- ♦ Provided academic leadership and administrative oversight to all areas of college activities.
- ♦ Responsible for recruitment, student development and all operational and fiscal responsibilities.
- ♦ Developed and implemented new financial strategies to increase and enhance student participation.
- ♦ Spearheaded updated degree programs and developed and implemented new marketing strategies.
- ♦ Increased new student applications by 231% and reclaimed inactive students by >350% in first year.

FLORIDA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Lakeland, FL 2000–2017

Professor

- ◆ Taught full-time load of graduate and undergraduate courses covering biblical studies, practical theology, communications, and pastoral theology in Florida's oldest and African-American seminary.
- ◆ Advised administration on direction of leadership development of pastoral candidates.
- ◆ Mentored and advised students in pursuit of academic and leadership excellence and additional educational opportunities.

EVANGELICAL UNIVERSITY & SEMINARY, Plant City, FL 2008–2009

Adjunct Professor, Church and Non-profit Leadership

- ◆ Instructed and prepared students entering church and non-profit leadership positions.

LOUISIANA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, Shreveport, LA 2008

Regional Seminar Invited Author/Faculty

- ◆ Taught graduate and undergraduate leadership courses using text *In Pursuit of Leadership: principles and practices from the life of Moses*, author Gregory K. Morris, Ph.D.
- ◆ Strategized and developed offsite cluster courses for university.

GRACE BIBLE COLLEGE, New Delhi, India 1980–1981

Professor

- ◆ Designed and taught multiple courses and prepared undergraduate students for international Christian leadership roles.

Ministry Leadership

MOUNT TABOR BAPTIST CHURCH, Lakeland, FL 2005–2009

Senior Pastor

- ◆ Recruited to bring strategic leadership to this multi-staff, 300-member congregation in pastoral, administrative, and supervisory roles.
- ◆ Improved internal and external communications.
- ◆ Created development opportunities that increased employee and volunteer morale.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF INWOOD, Winter Haven, FL 1999–2003

Senior Pastor

- ◆ Called to revitalize this 750-member church and increase membership and finances.
- ◆ Revived congregation and added programs that doubled attendance at services, improved program participation, and significantly increased giving (150+ %).
- ◆ Launched men's programs, a vital prison ministry, and multiple outreach/spiritual growth activities.
- ◆ Created leadership positions that doubled paid staff and tripled team of volunteers.

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD, Greenville, SC 1996–1997

Director of Family and Youth Ministries, Office of Christian Education

- ◆ Provided leadership oversight and consultation to 210 churches in US and Canada resulting in stronger, more robust church educational programs and ministries.
- ◆ Developed, designed and directed international family and youth camps, conferences, and educational summits for several hundred to several thousand in attendance resulting in doubling of participation, and strengthened the spiritual foundation of the denomination.
- ◆ Led domestic and international mission trips for denomination including development of church satellite sites in Mexico and Bahamas; trained faculty for leadership of sites.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- ◆ CITRUS & CHEMICAL BANK, Lakeland, FL – **Vice President** (1993–1995); Spearheaded division launch of mortgage banking group and all operational responsibilities including staffing, finances, budgeting and marketing. Annual division budget - \$36M; personal loan approval of \$250K.

- ◆ BANC BOSTON MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Lakeland, FL – **Mortgage Loan Manager** (1985–1993); \$24M annual budget.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., School of Biblical Studies, Louisiana Baptist University, Shreveport, LA

Dissertation: Moses, Portrait of a Leader

Ed.D., Postsecondary Education Administration, School of Education, Whitefield Theological Seminary, Lakeland, FL

M.R.E. in Religious Education *equivalent*, Trinity International University, Deerfield, IL

B.A., History, University of Akron, Akron, OH

COLLEGE & SEMINARY COURSES TAUGHT

Portrait of a Leader	Christian Ethics	Old Testament Prophecy
Romans	Revelation	New Testament Prophecy
Cults	Minor Prophets	Teach the Bible
Apologetics	Gospel of John	Evangelism
Public Speaking	Biblical Counseling	Acts
Synoptic Gospels	Hebrews	Dynamics of Christian Leadership
General Epistles	Hermeneutics	Church and Non-Profit Leadership
Christian Family	Ephesians	Christian Education
Bible Customs	Isaiah	Job
Homiletics	Christian Doctrine I, II	Contemporary Issues in Christianity
Church Administration	Systematic Theology I, II	

PUBLICATIONS

In Pursuit of Leadership: principles and practices from the life of Moses (Leadership Press, 2006, 2013; ISBN 978-0982859438)

Multiple articles, white papers and appearances in the following media:

Net Results

YourChristianHome.com

Minister to Minister

Evangel Magazine

Your Choice, magazine

WorshipTogether.com

Vision, Student Leadership Development

TheChurchReport.com

Living Light News, Canadian Magazine

ChurchCentral.com

The Ambassador, Promise Keepers

Mears: How One Woman Changed American

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Christianity (documentary film, 2025 release)

Christian Health, an SBC publication

AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Who's Who in America, 2007–2018; Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award - 2018

Who's Who in the World, 2008–2017

Evangelical Theological Society

Scottish Reformation Society

Phi Alpha Theta, International History Honorary Society

Past President, Board of Directors, Citrus Center Kiwanis Club, Lakeland, FL

- ◆ Increased corporate funding 10-fold for charitable events by reaching out to major donors and building corporate partnerships.

Board of Directors, Erskine College, Due West, SC

Board of Directors, Learning Resource Center, Lakeland, FL

Board of Directors, Lakeland Association of Realtors, Lakeland, FL

Graduate, Citizens Police Academy of Lakeland, Lakeland, FL