Allen and Becky Christopherson





STATISTICS

Born: Annapolis, MD, November 1, 1967 Becky: Amarillo, TX
Married: March 18, 1989
Allen grew up in Duncanville, TX
Becky grew up in Richardson, TX
Children: 1 son (William or Will) who is actively serving with the USAF in Clovis, NM.
Siblings: Becky is an only child, Allen has two sisters that live in the Dallas area with their families.
Parents: Allen's dad lives in Kerrville, TX

EDUCATION

Allen: College: Amberton University with B.B.A. and emphasis on Marketing. Seminary: Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Masters of Christian Education, plus a Church Recreation Concentration.

Becky: B.A. from Baylor with a concentration in Theater Arts.

TESTIMONY

My first experience with church began at the age of five when my family moved to Spring, TX. My parents enrolled me in a Christian Pre-School at a local church. This time of learning to read and write was coupled with regular attendance at the church. I found the experience to be fulfilling and meaningful. We moved to Duncanville a few years later and my Cub Scout Pack met at a local church. This continued through highschool. In fact, I don't remember too many times that I missed going. It was interesting that, when I met Becky, she would not go out with me unless I agreed to go to church with her. This was an easy decision for multiple reasons! Becky and I eventually got married and we had our son Will. We attended church one day and the pastor was teaching about being the Spiritual leader of the family. I remember going through each of his points and thinking of the things I was doing to complete this task and be the Spiritual leader. When he finished, he asked the congregation the question of whether they qualified for that or not. I remember how shocked I was when he went on to explain the personal nature our call to Christ was. I also remember how much of the stories I had learned and Biblical characters I knew from the years of study. Unfortunately, I had replaced knowledge and assumed that my relationship with Christ was settled. I practically ran down the aisle to accept the call. It has not been the same since.

CALL TO MINISTRY

Becky and I had agreed to serve with the youth when our son was in Jr High. We served as small group leaders and Bible study teachers. At the time I also led the recreation and much of the men's ministry direction for the church we attended. The first summer of our time with the youth, I was asked if I would lead a small group at Summer Camp. We took about 120 youth and adults to camp at Student Life at the Beach in South Padre Island, TX. The first night we listened to the camp pastor teach us about the significance of our life journey and how we need to use our lives for His glory and not for earthly riches. When we finished the service, we met together as a small group. I had about 15 youth in my group. We talked through what was said during the service and helped to apply it to our lives. I had a jr high girl that made the decision to dedicate her life to Christ, as she recognized that she was not doing what she should with what God had given her. This began something in me as well. Later that evening, I found myself out on the balcony and praying about what God was using me for. I was actively serving, actively working for the church. However, was I giving Him enough? That plagued me, but God allowed me to see His call to service. Through a lot of Christian counsel and friends in ministry that helped me along the way to see it. I wanted to get into Seminary as quickly as possible to ensure I had depth to work with. There is more to this story, but I can share with you later. These are the basics.

STATEMENT OF CALL

I have served the Lord for many years. He continues to affect me in many powerful ways in my life. It is without doubt that I feel His call to serve Him full time in pastoral ministry. Providing opportunities to reach the lost is a huge responsibility with opportunities for great rewards. The Lord has provided a passion in me to be active in pulling people into the church, as well as equipping them for service. My current and past experiences in ministry, as well as my experiences in seminary continue to shape and challenge me in many different ways. I firmly believe that God works on each of us where we are in life, which is similar to how we work with other Christ followers and those in our surrounding communities. I do completely understand the significance and the importance of this call and humbly submit to the scriptural outline in 1Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.

EXPERIENCE

- 2020 PresentHospice Chaplain2018 2020Senior Pastor (FBC Alpine)2015 2018Assoc. Pastor (The Worship Place)2010 2015Recreation Pastor (FBC Lakeside)2008 2010Assoc. Pastor (FBC Liberal Kansas)
- 2001 2008 Recreation Minister (Crossridge)

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Softball Woodworking Fishing Apologetics Evangelism Reading Camping Games Coffee Hiking Classic TV Movies Sports Playing Drums Creative Writing Discipleship

Hunting Movies Driving Music Concerts Teaching History Travel

NOTE TO THE CHURCH

We are excited about the opportunity that God has opened up with you and your church family. Many will ask why. I certainly believe that God has called us there. And, to go with that, I believe that God has called me to serve in the local church. And, although God gave me a short break doing a different type of ministry, He is calling us there to be a part of what He is doing in the local area. Please join us in prayer for God to work through the local church and to, as it says in the New Testament Church described in Acts 2, add to the church daily those who were being saved.