

An Epidemic of Fallen Pastoral Leaders, The Nation's Largest Virtual Church Offers CB-Counseling Support in Year 31

Battling A Regional Culture of Scandal in Evangelical Pastoral Leadership



Dallas, Texas Aug 9, 2024 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - It is like a child-hood dream. Emanating from the pinnacle of your industry's Capitol. And yet it is reality for Amazing Things The Church in what could be considered the buckle of the Bible-belt. It's not a term used as often, but Dr Steven DavidSon (the ministry's leader) uses it to show the providence and reality of the ministry's work celebrating and completing thirty-one years.

The Church adds another facet to its impressive scope of ministry. What DavidSon calls the "Sinking Pastors," "Operation Master's Hand Initiative. The initiative is branded after the initiative of Jesus' Disciple Peter, who (at Jesus' command) began walking on water, but when he became distracted by the wind he began sinking. He cried out to Jesus (his Savior). Jesus saved Peter from drowning...(Matthew 15:29-33).

"I have witnessed many scandals in more than a half century of work in local churches. I've witnessed pastors with pedophile behavior, pulpit skirmishes, pastors discarded because of their age. I pastored a church where a previous Pastor was removed guilty of being with a prostitute. There are pastoral-

leaders with children out of adultery. The most notable national scandals involved Jimmy Swaggart and Jim Bakker. The list goes on, but I cannot say I have ever witnessed the number of pastors falling in major churches (1000 or more members) in a short time frame of six months in one regional area."

DavidSon expresses that it represents a church-cultural, signs of the time phenomena.

"No question about it. We're not talking about just novice pastors of any particular race or denomination. This is a multi-denominational, cross-generation crisis of pastoral leadership in North Texas. It is a church culture pattern of behavior. It is not the only area suffering with Pastoral misconduct concerns but the names do not get any bigger. Names like TD Jakes, (Potter's House), Dr Tony Evans (Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship), Robert Morris (Gateway Church) as starters. This has devastating impact on the Universal Church at-large already suffering with declining attendance prior to Covid. Then considering Covid and this kind of public outbreak of a moral crisis, in the instructions of the Apostle Peter, it represents a terminal malignancy on the body-life of the Church (2 Peter 2:1-3)."

DavidSon recognizes this may only be a precursor of things to come. While ninety-nine percent of his ministry's daily work targets the world's major population continents of Africa, Asia and other parts of the world virtually, he senses a responsibility to help at home in North Texas and the U.S.

"Charity begins at home. And I've had persons over the years and recently suggest that Amazing Things The Church (Christ-based Counseling) should have something for pastors, both intervention and recovery. We're uniquely suited not simply because of our experience and unique Christ-based Counseling origins and resources, but also because we operate outside of the circle of any local church in the nation. As one could imagine, we're speaking of an extremely sensitive and confidential counseling environment. The Pastoral clients need to know to the degree possible our circle of attendees, colleagues and others are not the same."

Dr. DavidSon's 'Sinking Pastors' intervention and recovery initiative has already launched with a series of promotional insights on social media. And is prepared to respond not only in North Texas, but anywhere in the world where Pastors need 'Sinking Pastor' support.

"Surely some may frown upon the title, but cancer is cancer, and a heart attack is a heart attack. If a pastor is sinking like Peter who was walking on water, we need to be transparent about the condition. Major contributing factors (in our analysis) to this culture of moral failure is isolation, the stigma of seeking assistance along with the super-spiritual assumption and lack of readily-available prevention resources. It is past-due for our ministry to respond. These matters are widely disseminated when they occur. We desire to operate in the 'do something about it' mode. Whether it is interdiction, which we prefer, or recovery, we'll be a refuge for pastoral leaders."

According to Dr DavidSon, if any pastoral ministry leader, or you know a pastor who needs intervention or recovery, the 'pastor in need' can begin with a simple email with one word: Help! Send the email to: PastorSupport@AmazingTTC.org. Pastors should establish an alternate email from their official email to make the contact. All others in need of Christ-based counseling are directed to use the ministry's normal site at Christbasedsupport.INFO

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About Dr Davidson:

Amazing Things The Church Ministry, Facebook.com/AmazingThingsTheChurch) is the heart of the Christ-based Ministry enterprise of 18 Web Sites, featuring daily non-apostate (non-Political) Christ-based Counseling and Education programming.

DavidSon's a pioneer in web-based ministry since 1997 leading the Christ-based Ministry enterprise. He's been in Christian Ministry more than five decades and this is the thirty-first year of the Amazing Things The Church Ministry, the heart of the Christ-based enterprise with an average of sixty thousand a day attending virtually. There's live daily programming and numerous support resources available to the public:

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