

LENDON BARTLETT

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Professional Summary

Seasoned minister with 15 years of experience. Radically committed to keeping unity in the church. I have a track record of building relationships in very challenging areas such as "the poor" and "non-poor" and between different ethnic groups, particularly between whites and blacks. I can preach, teach, and lead in various kinds of contexts. I understand many of the spiritual and psychological challenges facing the world and the church. In addition, I am capable of being a helpful sounding board and conversation partner to shepherds and staff members. While I am not a trained therapist, I have acquired a unique set of skills in recovery and therapy processing my own healing journey that have proven to be effective in my current ministry.

Skills

- Spiritually directing individuals and small groups
- Preaching sermons
- Building trusting relationships with various people in the community (AA community, Celebrate Recovery, other ministers, schools, treatment facilities, baristas)
- Thinking critically
- Teaching Bible classes
- Keeping unity and practicing reconciliation
- Networking with other ministers in Churches of Christ and with para-church organizations to carry out the mission of the church.

Experience

Preaching Minister

May 2009-Oct 2016

Oxford Church of Christ - Oxford, MS

- Preached textual and topical studies/series
- Worked with ministers and elders to plan series and schedule preaching
- Taught Bible classes
- Created ministry designed to walk along side the poor in LaFayette County called "WHH" (When Helping Heals)
- Lead the church into the beginnings of racial reconciliation.
- Worked with African American church preaching and co-laboring to work with "the poor."
- Developed a trusting relationship with the lead minister of the River's Hill Church of Christ.
- Counseled members of all ages and races at OCOG.
- Worked side by side with elders in various leadership roles (pastoral visits, preaching, teaching, counseling, strategic work in conflict management, planning

special speakers)

- Spiritually directed individuals and small groups
- Taught Chinese class (in English)
- Performed funerals and weddings
- Worked with Ministers in town to plan City Wide Gospel Service
- Built strong relationships with other ministers in town to promote racial reconciliation in our city.
- Worked to make disciples.
- Started a tutorial program at Della Davidson Elementary

Campus Ministry Apprentice *Aug 2006-May 2009*
Oxford Church of Christ - Oxford, MS

Youth Minister *Nov 2004-Aug 2006*
Ulysses Church of Christ - Ulysses, KS

Interim Preaching Minister *Jan 2003-Jan 2004*
White Deer Church of Christ - White Deer, TX

- Interim preaching and teaching.
- Hospital visitation
- Performed first funeral during my time at White Deer

Education

Master of Divinity : Theology and Ministry *May 2009*
Harding School of Theology - Memphis, TN

Bachelor of Arts : History *Dec 2002*
West Texas A&M University - Canyon, TX

Associates in Religion : Biblical studies *Sep 2001*
Amarillo College - Amarillo, TX

Currently Working on D-Min : Theology and Ministry
Lipscomb University - Nashville, TN