

Mark E. Fleschner

Name
Mark Fleschner

Consulting Specialties
TIPs Pastor

Being on the journey with God has been exciting and has brought many challenges along with it. My Christian heritage began early. I was saved during my late teens and totally surrendered my life to God as a young adult. I received my call to full-time Christian ministry in 1989 in my mid-thirties. The past twenty-five years have been spent in the Nazarene Church, serving as Lead Pastor at Terre Haute First Church in Terre Haute, IN.

Prior to entering the ministry, my career was in business. I received my Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and my Master of Arts in Religious Education from Indiana Wesleyan University. Later, I obtained a Doctor of Ministry degree from Oakland City University in pastoral leadership and church growth. Some of my strengths and gifts are teaching, administration, leadership and management.

Through my years of ministry, I have served in a variety of roles: Youth Minister, Associate Pastor, Co-Pastor, and as Lead Pastor

EDUCATION

Doctor of Ministry – Oakland City University/Chapman Seminary – 2006
Master of Arts in Ministry - Indiana Wesleyan University December 1998
Ordained as an Elder in the Church of the Nazarene - July 20, 1994
Indiana Wesleyan University, 1997, Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration
Indiana Wesleyan University, 1995, Associate of Science Degree in Christian Studies

Beyond the local church, I have served in various district roles:

Chairman / Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Studies
District Advisory Board
Zone Superintendent on the Southwest Indiana District Church of the Nazarene (SWID).
Served 6 years as a Trustee for Olivet Nazarene University

In addition to being a pastor, I enjoy spending time with people, watching sports, reading, research and writing. I am a devoted family man married to my wife Debbie. We have three adult children: Stephanie (Luke) and grandsons, Asher and Judah, Laura (Caleb), and Mark. Debbie and I live in Terre Haute, Indiana.

My life goal is to reach the lost with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ and disciple people into becoming fully devoted followers of Christ. I strive to help people reach their fullest potential in Christ and find their real purpose in life!

OTHER INTERESTS

I have facilitated Addiction Recovery, Mentoring, Coaching Basketball, and community campaigns. I am an avid reader; enjoy all types of sports, and working outdoors.
"I always enjoyed a good game of ball---and, I love IU b'ball!"

My life verse is Matthew 6:33, "Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

"God has blessed my life in many ways; too numerous to count."