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EDUCATION

1979-1983	The Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio	B.A. Religion/Christian Ed.
1988-1989	Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL	Work toward M.Div.
1989-1991	Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary	M.Div.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Summer, 2002	Field Education Supervisors Seminar	Provided by Field Education Office of LPTS
Every 3 years	Boundary Training, as required by Indiana-Kentucky Conference	
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EXPERIENCE

1983-1988	Director of Education/Youth	Immanuel UCC Louisville, KY
1989-1991	Student Pastor	St. Matthew UCC Louisville, KY
1990 (summer)	Student Chaplain (CPE)	Central State Hospital Louisville, KY
1991-1997	Associate Pastor	Trinity UCC Jasper, IN
1997-present	Pastor	Bethany UCC Louisville, KY

APPROACH TO MINISTRY (in brief)

I believe God calls me (calls us all) to "equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ." (Ephesians 4:12) Thus, I am very much a "team player," believing it is beneficial to call forth the gifts each of us has for ministry and put those to use for the good of the entire body. As pastor, I provide guidance, leadership, challenge, and direction, as well as plunging into the midst of things to help ministry happen.

I also believe very much in the ministry of presence, knowing that often the best thing we can do for those in need of God's love and assurance is to "be there," to "re-present" God to them, to pray with and for them, to love them with the love of Christ.

In July, it will be five years since my position moved from "full time" to "half time." In addition to my position as pastor of the church, I am also a private tutor, as well as an Educator for the Louisville Water Company.