

CURRICULUM VITA

Randall L. Stone

Personal

Born: July 26, 1956, Lake Charles, LA
Parents: Jimmy Franklin and Kathryn Bradley Stone
Married: Tara Mathis Stone
Children: Joni Lyn Stone Shore

Education

Doctor of Philosophy, Christian Education
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA, 2004

Master of Theology
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA, 2004

Master of Religious Education
Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO, 1987

Bachelor of Science, Educational Psychology and Guidance
McNeese State University, Lake Charles, LA, 1979

Employment

Professional Experience

Discipleship Pastor 2013-2015
Bogue Falaya Baptist Church, Folsom, LA
Associate Pastor/Minister of Education, February 2003 to 2011
Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX
Associate Pastor/Minister of Maturity, July 2000 to January 2003
Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
Associate Pastor/Minister of Education, July 1994 to July 2000
Zoar Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
Associate Pastor/Director of Ministries, April 1990 to July 1994
Parkwood Baptist Church, Concord, NC
Associate Pastor/Minister of Education, June 1987 to April 1990
Arlington Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC
Associate Pastor/Minister of Education Jan 1985 to May 1987
Bethany Baptist Church, Kansas City, MO
Youth Pastor 1981-1983
Metropolitan Baptist, Sulphur, LA
Activities Director 1979- 1980
First Baptist Church Moss Bluff, Lake Charles, LA
Youth Director
1977-1978 Emmanuel Baptist, Lake Charles, LA
1976-1977 Bethel Baptist, Lake Charles, LA

Secular Work Experience

Operations, Conoco (Vista) Chemical Plant Westlake, LA, 1981-1985

Academic Leadership

Professor of Christian Education

Occupying the John T. Sisemore Chair of Christian Education

Chair, Christian Education Division

Director, Doctor of Educational Ministries Program

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA May 2011- Present
Philosophical Foundations, Educational Psychology, Teaching, Discipleship,
Leadership and Administration

Adjunct Professor,

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX Fall 2008 - present
Foundations Division- Educational Psychology, Principles of Teaching,
The Ministry of Education, Educational Field Experience.

Liberty University Online, Lynchburg, VA June 2009 – present
Discipleship Ministries and Christian Leadership - Ministry of Teaching,
Discipleship Ministries

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Baton Rouge Extension,
Baton Rouge, LA Fall 1997

Denominational Leadership

Coaching Project, Sunday School – Discipleship Department 2012 to Present

Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, LA

Director, ACTeam (Associational Consultant Team), 1996-2002

Primary responsibilities of the director were to coordinate local church and regional training events as well as delegate and perform personal consultations for churches in the Greater Baptist Association of Baton Rouge (formerly Judson Baptist Association) Baton Rouge, LA

Director ASSISTeam (Associational Sunday School Improvement and Support Team),
1991-1994 Cabarrus Baptist Association, Concord, NC

Primary responsibilities of the director were to coordinate local church and regional training events as well as delegate and perform personal consultations for churches in the Cabarrus Baptist Association.

Contract Employee, Louisiana Baptist Convention, 2002-2003 Alexandria, LA

Maintained contact with Education Ministers in churches with Bible Study membership greater than one thousand, and providing general support, information, and consultations as necessary.

State Approved Worker,

Adult and General Officer Specialist, Conference Leader

1995 to 2003 Louisiana Baptist State Convention, Alexandria, LA

1988 to 1994 North Carolina Baptist State Convention, Raleigh, NC

Adult and General Officer Specialist, ASSISTeam, 1988-1990
Mecklenburg Baptist Association, Charlotte, NC

Offices & Positions

Board Member, Baptist Association of Christian Educators 2014 to Present
Representative - Seminaries and Colleges
Vice Chair, 2017-2018
Coaching Project, Sunday School-Discipleship Department 2012 to 2017
Louisiana Baptist Convention
Board of Directors, Difference Makers Ministries 2007 to 2012
Vice President, Louisiana Baptist Religious Educators Association, 2003
Founder & President Capitol City Ministers of Education 1997 - 2003

Professional Organization Memberships

Baptist Association of Christian Educators (BACE)
Society of Professors in Christian Education (SPCE)
(formerly the North American Professors of Christian Education)
Association of Doctor of Ministry Educators (ADME)
Louisiana Baptist Christian Educators Association
Baptist Religious Education Association Southwest
American Association of Christian Counselors

Certifications

Church Consultant, Easum, Bandy, and Associates 2006
Faith Evangelism Certification, 2000
National Certified Consultant Seminar, 1997
MasterLife Leader/Trainer, 1989

Research Projects

“An Investigation of the Relationship between Pastoral Transition and Staff Retention.” The purpose of this project is to discover the primary factors that determine the retention and tenure of ministerial staff during and after pastoral transitions. Awarded Ola Farmer Lenaz grant for research, May 2017. Research is in progress.

Credentialing Exploration Project, Society of Professors of Christian Education. Lead a team of SPCE members to consider the possibility of certifying Christian Education degree programs. Sought to determine value, benefits, cost, construct, viability and administration of a certification program. Commissioned February 2017, reported to SPCE Board October 2017.

“Educational Models and Practices Project” for ATS Association of Theological Schools Feb 2016- April, 2018. Served as participant and collaborator on a sub group tasked with a study of Doctor of Ministry programs in an effort to identify professional and institutional value and evaluate admissions criteria and standards. New admission policies were recommended and best practices reported. Degree admission standards review is underway.

“A Comparative Study of Churches Staffed by Professional Doctoral Students with Southern Baptist Church Profile Clusters.” Awarded Ola Farmer Lenaz grant for research, March 2013. Conducted research in partnership with Colleagues, Reggie Ogea and Mark Tolbert. Presentation of findings by Dr. Reggie Ogea and Dr. Bill Day at the Annual meeting of Association of Doctor of Ministry Educators, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, April, 2014.

Program and Curriculum Development

Master of Arts in Discipleship. Petitioned and received approval for Master of Arts in Discipleship (MADI) degree from Association Theological Schools (ATS) on behalf of the Christian Education Division, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in 2015. The new degree launched spring semester 2016.

Doctor of Education, Petitioned and received approval for the Doctor of Education (EdD) degree from Association Theological Schools (ATS) on behalf of the Christian Education Division, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Launched the new program in fall 2014.

Ministry Associate Program, Southcliff Baptist Church, Developed a learning environment in which individuals with a call to vocational ministry are introduced to practical ministry experiences. The Ministry Associate Program is intended for men and women who are preparing for vocational ministry. Participants learn practical skills to aid in implementing ministry, working with volunteers and staff, and managing budgets and calendars. The program consists of three main components: Scheduled meetings for reports and discussion with the staff about ministry leadership and experiences; Applied Ministry: Opportunities to serve in a variety of areas vital to the church; and Ministry leadership: Involvement in a specific ministry of the church. 2004-2011

7 Steps to a Healthy Sunday School, Created, designed, and presented materials to select pastors and Sunday School Directors of Eastern Louisiana Baptist Association and St. Tammany Baptist Associations, with Jim Gifford, Sunday School and Church Growth Director, Louisiana Baptist Convention. Hammond, LA 2002

Healing Place Ministry Successfully launched a soul care ministry designed to address the emotional, spiritual, and physical health of the congregation and community. Support groups and seminars for parents, divorce, grief, sexual abuse, and other are offered regularly.

Fresh Encounter Weekends- Collection of content, format, materials and resources for spiritual renewal retreats.

Publications

“Integrating Discipleship and Ministry Leadership: A Biblical and Philosophical Foundation” in *Together We Equip: Integrating Discipleship and Leadership in a Holistic Spiritual Formation.* Jody Dean and Hal Stewart eds. Bloomington, IN: Westbow Press, 2018.

“Models for Disciple-Making Ministry,” *Indispensible*, Publication Pending Spring 2018.

Book Review of Merriam, Sharan B., and Laura L. Bierema. *Adult Learning: Linking Theory and Practice*, Caffarella, Rosemary S. and Sandra Ratcliff Daffron. *Planning Programs for Adult Learners: A Practical Guide*. 3rd ed. in “Journal of Christian Ministry” #6 2017.

“Leading Adult Ministry,” *Introduction to Christian Education*, Freddy Cordoza Ed. Baker Publishing. Publication date pending.

10 Stupid Things Christians Do to Mess Up their Lives, Bible Study and manuscript currently being edited for publication.

Presentations, Conferences, and Consultations

Convener & Moderator Academic Pre-conference Annual Conference of Baptist Association of Christian Educators, Quail Springs Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, OK
Discussions and Dialog among Academic Christian Educators, April 4, 2010

Moderator, Academic Pre-conference Annual Conference of Baptist Association of Christian Educators, Quail Springs Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, OK April 4, 2010
Moderator, Academic Presentations by doctoral students- April 4, 2018

“Adding LIFE to Life Groups”, “10 Tips for Better Teaching” Small Group Leader Training
Bedico Baptist Church Ponchatoula, LA - March 17, 2018

“Leading Great Groups”& “The I’s Have it: Creating Biblical Community” Small Group
Leader Training, True Life Church, Slidell, LA March 3, 2018

“Leading Great Groups” Leadership Training First Baptist Church Mandeville, LA- March
11, 2018

“Embracing Professional Doctoral Education.” Professional development presentation for the
Society of Professors of Christian Education annual meeting Oct 28, 2017.

“The I’s Have It” and “Creating Biblical Community” ReGroup Leadership Training, Hosted
by Louisiana Baptist Convention, First Baptist Church, Covington, LA Aug 12, 2017

“Building a Great Sunday School,” and “Putting Pizazz into Sunday Morning,”
Bible Study Leadership Training First Baptist Church Natchez, MS Aug 6, 2017

“10 Tips for Better Teaching.” Small Group Bible Study Leader Training Dutchtown Baptist
Church, April 29, 2017

“An Investigation of the Relationship between Pastoral Transition and Staff Retention”
Preliminary Findings. Presentation of pilot survey results at the annual meeting of Baptist
Association of Christian Educators. (BACE) March 29, 2017

Care Group Leader Training, First Baptist Church, Covington, LA Oct 9, 2016

“NOBTS, Discipleship and Theological Education” presentation for Discipleship Pastors of Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Little Rock, AR Oct 25, 2016.

Participant, Annual Meeting, Society of Professors in Christian Education (SPCE), Oct 27-29, 2016. Orlando, FL

“Cultivating a Caring Community” Bible Study Leaders Workshop, First Baptist Church Picayune, MS August 28, 2016

“Leading Great Groups” and “10 Tips for Better Teaching.” Leadership Conference, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, LA, February 13, 2016

“Academics and Discipleship: The Role of Higher Education” Annual Meeting, Baptist Association of Christian Educators, Mid-America Seminary, Memphis, TN April 15, 2016

“Who Are Millennials?: Characteristics of America’s Largest Generation”, “Millennials as Learners: Understanding Millennials in Education”, “Teaching Millennials: Creating Learning Environments” New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Faculty Development, February 15, 2016

“I Can’t, We Can! Relationship to Discipleship to Leadership” and “The 1 Thing: What Sunday Schools must do to be a Kingdom Building Church?” ReGroup Conference Louisiana Baptist Convention First Baptist Church Lafayette, LA Sept 2015

“Putting Pizazz into Sunday Morning”, “Reaching through the Sunday School”, “10 Tips for Better Teaching.” First Baptist Church, Wiggins, MS August 22, 2015

“Growing Sunday School” and “Shifting the Focus to Sunday School Leaders.” Sunday School Conference, First Baptist Church, Bonifay, FL August, 2015

“Ministry in a Multi-Generational Church,” Annual Meeting, Association of Baptist Ministry to the Aging, New Orleans Baptist Seminary February, 2015

“Discipleship Design,” Xcelerate Conference, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary October, 2014

“New Horizons in Christian Education,” Annual Meeting, Louisiana Baptist Christian Educators Association, Baton Rouge, LA, January, 2014

“Practical Tips for Leading Your Sunday School,” Total Church Life Conference, Louisiana Baptist Convention, First Baptist Baton Rouge, August, 2013

“Enlisting and Training Sunday School Leaders and Workers,” Total Church Life Conference, Louisiana Baptist Convention, First Baptist Baton Rouge, August, 2013

“Keys to Effective Bible Teaching Ministry,” Bible Study Leaders, Ames Blvd Baptist Church, July, 2013

“Dreams and Visions,” Leadership Meeting, First Baptist Church Meridian, MS, June, 2013

“7 Trends in Adult Education”, Consultants Training, Sunday School – Discipleship Department, Louisiana Baptist Convention Feb, 2013

Church Consult and Training, College Place Baptist Church, Monroe, LA March-Sept, 2012
Church Assessment and Consult, Moffat Road Baptist Church, Mobile, AL February, 2012

“How to Grow a Church When the Odds are Against You,” Annual Meeting, Baptist Religious Education Association Southwest, SWBTS, Fort Worth 2006

“Adult Learning Styles of Median and Senior Adults” and “Dealing with Difficult People” Tarrant Baptist Association Training, University Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX 2006

“Beginning and Maintaining a Support Group” Presented to North Texas Support Group Network, November, 2005

“7 Steps to a Healthy Sunday School” with Jim Gifford State Sunday School and church Growth Director Louisiana Baptist Convention. Select pastors and Sunday School Directors of Eastern Louisiana Baptist Association and St. Tammany Association. Hammond, LA 2002

Introduction of LifeWay Curriculum to Louisiana Baptist Church Associations 2001
Atchafalaya Baptist Association, Delta Baptist Association, BAGNO (Baptist Association of Greater New Orleans)

“ABC’s for Effective Associational Sunday School Leaders,” General Officers Training sponsored by Louisiana Baptist Convention, Acadian Baptist Retreat & Conference Center 2000

“7 Laws of the Learner,” Faculty workshop, Delta College of Arts and Technology, Baton Rouge, LA, 1999

Sunday School Directors Workshop Eastern Louisiana Baptist Association Judson Baptist Church Walker; St. Tammany Baptist Association LA FBC Covington; Delta Baptist Association, FBC Ferriday, LA 1999.

“Life in the Spirit,” Trilogy conference sponsored by Lifeway and Louisiana Baptist Convention Discipleship Department. Presented at Istrouma Baptist Church 1998

“Lagniappe” Regional Bible Study Leadership Training, First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA 1998, 1999

“Principles of Teaching and Learning” Extension Class, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Baton Rouge, LA 1997

“Finding New Ways to Do the Same Old Thing” and “Dealing with Difficult People”
Regional Sunday School Leadership Training, First Baptist Church, Zachary, LA 1997

Sunday School Directors and Officers Training Atchafalaya Baptist Association 1997

Adult Bible Study Leadership Training sponsored by Georgia Baptist Convention, Toccoa Baptist Conference Center, Toccoa, GA 1993

North Carolina Leadership Training, Caraway Conference Center, Asheboro, NC 1993
Associational Bible Study leadership Training Cabarrus Baptist Association Concord, NC 1991, 1992

“Lord Teach me to Pray” Church Prayer Retreat, Caraway Conference Center, NC 1992

“Putting Together a Youth Ministry Team” Albemarle, NC 1992

Regional Sunday School Leadership Training Greater Gaston Baptist Association, Gastonia, NC 1990

Bible Study leadership Banquets (First Baptist Church, Meridian, MS; Trinity Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX; Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Slidell, LA)

Church Leadership Workshops

FLA Blvd Baptist church, Baton Rouge, LA
Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Slidell, LA
FBC Gonzales, Gonzales, LA
Amite Baptist church, Denham Springs, LA
Parkview Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
Sherwood Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
First Baptist Church, Denham Springs, LA
Park Forrest Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
New Hope Baptist church, Prairieville, LA
Oak Grove Baptist Church Prairieville, LA
Woodlawn Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA
First Baptist Church, Kannapolis, NC 1992
Royal Oaks Baptist church, Kannapolis, NC 1991
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC 1990
Derita Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC
Sharon Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC
Culbertson Baptist Church, Farmerville, LA

Personal Consultations: Calvary Baptist Houston, TX; Miller French Baptist Church, Iota, LA; First Baptist Church Woodworth, LA; First Baptist Church Plaquemine, LA; Lake Martin Baptist Church, Prairieville, LA; Culbertson Baptist Church, Farmerville, LA
Mecklenburg Baptist Association Regional Sunday School Leadership Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC 1989

Senior Adult Ministry Seminar, Blue River Baptist Association, Independence, MO 1987
Youth VBS Clinic, Carey Baptist Association, Lake Charles, LA 1979

“Teaching with Style” Adult Leadership training, Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX

“10 Tips for Better Teaching” Adult Leadership training, Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX

“Putting Pizzazz into Sunday Morning... The Importance of Outreach and Ministry” Adult Leadership training, Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX

“Heaven and Hell” Adult Vacation Bible School, Parkwood Baptist Church, Concord, NC

“Come and Worship” Adult Vacation Bible School, Parkwood Baptist Church, Concord, NC

“Branding the Herd! Helping New Members Become Part of the Group” Southcliff Leadership Retreat, Westlake, TX, 2005

“Managing Life’s Most Important Relationships” Singles Retreat Southcliff Baptist Church, Denton, TX 2005

Hosted Metro Growth Campaigns

Zoar Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA 1999

Arlington Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC 1988

Conferences, Workshops, and Seminars Attended

B.A.C.E. (Baptist Association of Christian Educators) 1998, 2006-17

Hosted in 2017

I3 Hosted by Leadership Network, Dallas TX 2009

Leadership Summit, WillowCreek Association, 2003-2009

NAPCE 2008, 2009, 2016, 2017

Xcel '07, Minister of Education New Orleans, LA

B.R.E.A.S. (Baptist Religious Education Association Southwest) 2006-2009

Church Consultant Training with Bill Easum, 2006

Multi-site Ministry, Willow Creek Community Church, South Barrington, IL 2005

Minister of Education Boot Camp, Ridgecrest, NC 2005

Celebrate Recovery Workshop, Little Rock, AR 2005

“Meet M.E. in St Louis,” St. Louis, MO 2002

Body Life Journey, Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA 2001

Faith Evangelism Certification, Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, LA 2000

Ministry Evangelism Workshop, First Baptist Church, Leesburg, FL 2000
National Certified Consultant Seminar 1997
National Sunday School Director Seminar 1996
Lifeway Leadership Summit Nashville, TN 1995
Adult & General Officer Special Worker Training, Louisiana Baptist Convention,
Pineville, LA 1995-2003
Adult & General Officer Special Worker Training, North Carolina Baptist Convention
Ridgecrest and Caraway Conference Centers, North Carolina 1989-1993
Leading Into the 21st Century with John Maxwell, Bethany World Prayer Center,
Baton Rouge, LA 1998
MasterLife Leader/Trainer 1989