

And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. -Jeremiah 3:15





A Napkin and a Vision

ight before a Be in Health® conference near Albuquerque, NM I sat down for lunch with a local pastor who had been deeply impacted by my teachings. As we talked he said something that caught me off-guard.

This pastor said, "You've ruined me as a pastor. Your teachings have changed my way of thinking as a pastor and how I function as a pastor, and I am holding you responsible for me." It was a compliment in a weird way, because his life was changing for the better but he didn't know what to do with himself and where to go from there. He was asking me to come up with something for him and other pastors that would offer them direction and oversight.

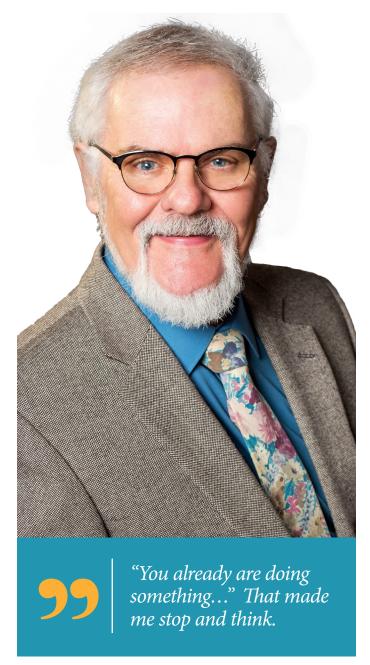
I told this pastor, "I don't want to be responsible for you. I don't want to head something up; I wouldn't even know where to start."

And then he said this, "You already are doing something..." That made me stop and think.

I began talking silently to the Father about what to do with this man and asked Pastor Donna to hand me a napkin. Inspiration began to come and I wrote down, "A.C.T.S." on the napkin. Then I wrote, "Association of Churches Teaching and Serving".

In my heart I saw an association of churches and gatherings bringing the power and integrity of the first century church to the 21st century.

So I passed the napkin to the pastor across the table from me and said, "This is my solution and I suppose you are right, I am called to do this."



I was not looking to fulfill this position, but God used that pastor that day to call me. From there, God gave me a vision to establish safe churches and gatherings, to ordain elders worldwide, and give ongoing oversight so God's precious sons and daughters could find a refuge for healing and growth in the Father through Christ.

Have you considered that God may be calling you to start, pastor and establish a local church or gathering?

Let us ask you some questions:

Have the teachings of Be in Health® opened your eyes and now you want to tell others?

Do you love people and want to see God's best for their life?

Do you have a desire to guard the purity of the Bible and share that with others?

Do you already or do you desire to gather people together to grow, heal, and fellowship together?

Do people come to you for help and direction for their lives?

Are you ready to be a pastor, but are held back by a lack of resources and training?

If you answered yes to one or more of these questions A.C.T.S. is here to help you take the next step.



We realized we could not stay in the church that we served in for so many years and teach what we were learning. We had a heart to want people to learn how to be free like we were learning!

-Pastors Granvill & Janice Lamb, A.C.T.S. Presque Isle, ME

Filling the need...



Here are some questions we get asked:

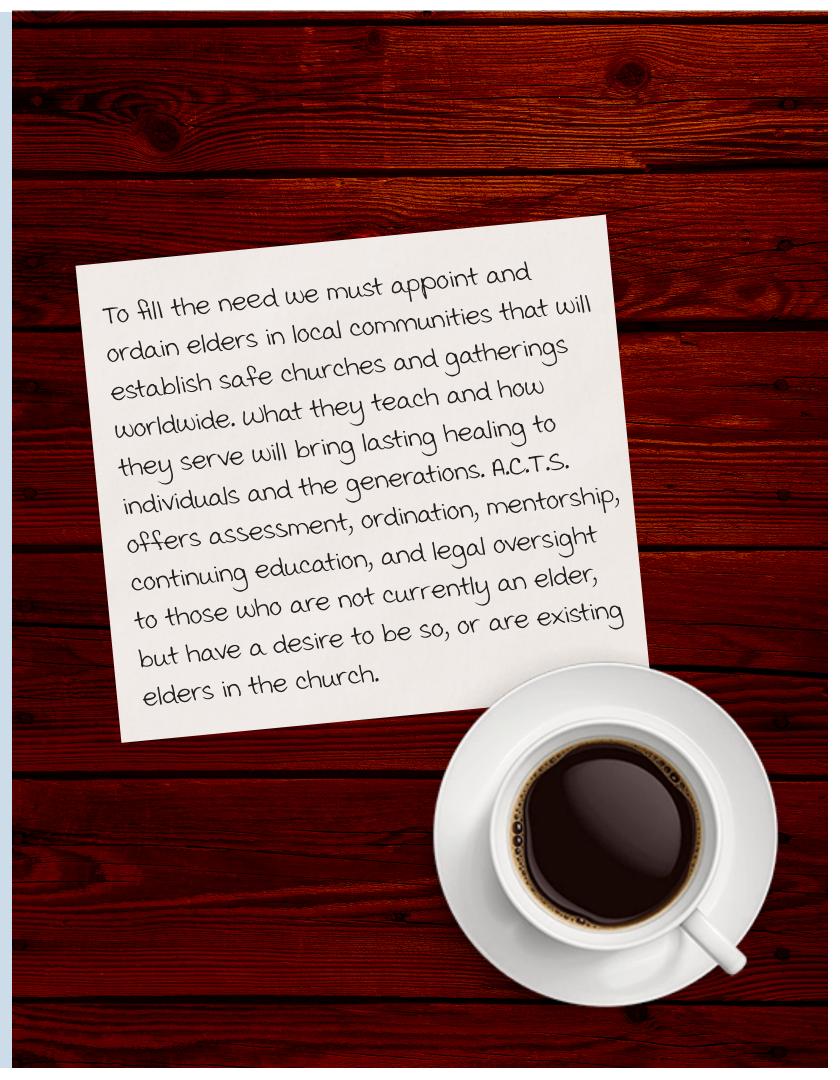
- Why is no one else teaching this?
- · What do I do now, how do I go back to my old church?
- How do I teach and help others?

The Body of Christ has a need for:

- A place where the gifts of the Holy Spirit can operate unhindered decently and in order.
- A place where sons and daughters of the Father can bear each other's burdens, heal together, encourage each other, and simply be a family.



And he gave some apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ... Ephesians 4:11-12



Our Journey of Becoming Pastors



PASTOR HENRY: I am a 4th generation pastor, but I didn't always follow God. In fact, I didn't give my life to God until I was 38, but when I did I embraced a New Testament way of thinking. I was just a regular believer in a large church, but I was activated. In my journey toward

becoming a pastor I became involved in Christian radio and became the head intercessor at the church I was attending.

As I began to embrace who I was as an activated, Spirit-filled, believer, I realized that I had a heart for people. I would go to a cell group meeting at an elder's house and after he'd finished teaching, people would begin to line up for me to pray for them. I sometimes would stay till the early hours of the morning praying for people, because things were happening! They were not going to the elder, they were going to me...

After a few years of this I was asked to come and pastor an existing church, and that is where I began my journey as a pastor.

Truthfully, I did not set out to be a pastor, but people would not leave me alone. Where I went, people followed because things were happening. I simply began with a heart for God and a heart for people, and He grew me up into it.

PASTOR DONNA: What's been amazing to watch is how from those small beginnings, now many well-known pastors and high level medical professionals seek Pastor Henry out for help with their own lives and those they are trying to help. But again it all started small...

One of my most memorable conferences was when Pastor Henry taught and ministered to a small group of environmentally sensitive people outside in snow and ice at a local park because they could not go inside. Lives were changed that day and I was brought to tears by the heart of love and compassion that God put into this man (Pastor Henry) for His lost sheep.

I believe when someone is called to the ministry, the whole family is called. We went through a short season where we just had to believe God that money would come in to support our family. This was the season when Henry quit working to become a full-time pastor.

PASTOR HENRY: I would work during the day doing freelance and sales and then come home and minister on the phone lines sometimes till 2 or 3 in the morning. It was a lot to carry so we eventually had to make the decision to minister full-time and trust God to provide.

This was our training ground, but the training ground is different for everyone who is called. God knows exactly what He needs to do in each person's life to equip them for their calling.

Perhaps you are in training now and didn't even know it!

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Do I have to have experience in pastoring or church leadership?

No, A.C.T.S. will offer assessment, ordination, mentorship, continuing education, and legal oversight to assist you in your calling. No formal education is required either.

Will I have to find a building to meet in separate from my house?

No, as long as your home or someone's home can accommodate the church body you don't need a building to meet in. As you grow, you might find it necessary.

Will I have to quit my current job or career?

No, in fact, for years Dr. Wright worked a separate job while he pastored.

Do I have to be a good public speaker?

Nope, God has always used those that didn't quite "fit the bill". Moses could not even speak for himself, but had to have Aaron speak for him.

What if I start the process and decide being a pastor is not for me?

This is a possibility, but remember our team will do a thorough assessment before beginning the process to make sure it's a good fit. That takes the pressure off, and we'll help you out along the way

Will A.C.T.S. help me with all the legal stuff?

A.C.T.S. offers legal and ecclesiastical oversight for existing elders or new gatherings.

What if I run into situations with people in my church that I don't know how to handle?

A.C.T.S. offers mentorship to those that have set themselves aside for this level of service. A.C.T.S. Leadership collectively has right at 100 years of experience in pastoring. We will be there to assist.

Can I just teach Be in Health® principles in a small group and just keep attending my current church?

No. You may certainly continue attending the church of your choice, however Be in Health® principles are only to be taught under an ecclesiastical covering of an A.C.T.S. church for legal and spiritual purposes. In fact, A.C.T.S. churches are not based on Be in Health® principles only, but the full counsel of scripture. Once an A.C.T.S. church has been established for a season, they might be released to implement Be in Health® teachings into their church or gathering.

Do I need to know a lot of the Bible?

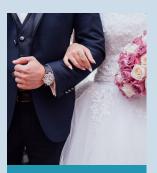
As a pastor you certainly need to have some knowledge of scripture, but we all start somewhere. A.C.T.S. will offer continuing education to increase your knowledge and understanding of scripture to better serve your flock.

How much does it cost to be a part of A.C.T.S.?

Nothing! However if your local church wants to sow back into A.C.T.S. that is always welcome.

So...What does an A.C.T.S. Church do?

As an A.C.T.S. Pastor you will get to be a part of some of the most significant events in a person's life:



Marriage



Water Baptism



Baby dedications



End of life celebrations

- Weekly Gatherings will be modeled after 1
 Corinthians 14, just like at Hope of the Generations
 Church in Thomaston, GA. There will be an open mic, where attendees may share and edify the body in prophecy, exhortation, testimonies, and song.
- Your church will participate in other sacraments from time to time such as communion and footwashing.
- Your church is going to grow together, learn together, serve together, heal together, cry together, and laugh together.

- Your church will grow to operate in all nine gifts
 of the Holy Spirit collectively so that you may
 overthrow the damage done by satan's kingdom and
 bring God's kingdom into people's lives.
- Your church will also have the freedom to serve your local community through programs and volunteering, you deem as worthy.
- An A.C.T.S. Church is a family going about our Father's business!

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Since incorporating the A.C.T.S. model church, our flock has been nurtured, empowered, and blessed as we apply the whole truth of the Word of God to our teaching and serving one another.

PASTORS GRANVILL & JANICE LAMB, A.C.T.S. Presque Isle, ME

Are you ready to get started?

Is there a desire in your heart calling you to pastor a local church or gathering under the leadership of A.C.T.S.?

Do you know this is in your heart, but feel overwhelmed or don't know where to start?

Or, are you still wondering if this is for you?

Do you want to get started now?

Wherever you are in your decision-making, A.C.T.S. wants to assist in fulfilling God's calling for you.

The place to start is by going to www.actsglobal.com to fill out a short application, and schedule a time to speak one-on-one with a member from the A.C.T.S. Leadership Team to begin an assessment if this is the path to which God has called you. We bless you and may you be all that God has called you to be.