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PHILOSOPHY OF MINISTRY

Howard Hendricks once said that "Spiritual growth should not be compartmentalized but integrated with every other aspect of life." This idea has grown within me since I began teaching in the classroom back in 2013.

I view the Christian classroom as an extension of the church's mission to make disciples. Jesus' command in Matthew 28:19-20 is imperative: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo; I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

I believe it is primarily the parent's responsibility to raise their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. This idea is clearly traced throughout the Bible (Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Proverbs 22:6, Ephesians 6:4). However, it is not only the parent's responsibility to train their children in the way of the Lord. It is also the responsibility and privilege of the entire community of believers surrounding them. We see this principle practiced today through infant dedications, Church leaders, Christian teachers, and in various other ways that believers surround and support youth.

The teacher's role in the classroom is to train children in the way they should go, remembering that the Word of God is alive and changes lives (2 Timothy 3:16, Hebrews 4:12). Christian teachers should teach and model a lifestyle of faith and dependence on Jesus Christ through the spiritual disciplines (Reading and memorizing God's Word, prayer, fasting, etc). Christian teachers are to play a role in equipping the saints for every good work so that we may present every believer mature in Jesus Christ (Colossians 1:28-29). This is no small task but it is possible through the work of the Holy Spirit working through human agents. It is both the parents and the teacher's duty and delight to teach students all that God has commanded in His Word (Matthew 28:19-20).

I integrate the Christian faith and biblical teaching into the classroom primarily through sharing stories: stories about myself and stories about people I've encountered or read about. I share stories about prayer, discipleship, evangelism, and faith as they relate to the topics we're covering in class. My prayer is that these stories will convict and encourage students to live for the Lord in the context in which God has placed them. The Word of God always penetrates the heart and helps people understand how to mold their lives after Christ's.

CALLING

In high school I was uniquely shaped through Summit Ministries worldview training. At Bryan College, my passion for worldview development and Biblical training increased under the guidance of John Stonestreet and Jeff Myers. Upon finishing my undergraduate at Moody Bible Institute and before attending Dallas Theological Seminary, I worked for two years as a Bible teacher and basketball coach at Cedar Valley Bible Church and Christian School. I was also the interim youth director there for a summer and I was actively involved each year as a teacher in the youth group. Through those experiences, the Lord affirmed for me that He designed and gifted me for ministry within the Christian school setting. I have been teaching and coaching full-time for the last 7 years since finishing Seminary. I truly feel called to this ministry.

LEADERSHIP STYLE

My leadership style is very personal and focuses on developing a relationship with each student. However, I am also goal oriented. This leads to having a desire to get the job done while not sacrificing relationships to accomplish the task. I believe that God's mission is not about programs but rather about transforming His people into the likeness of His Son.

FORMAL EDUCATION

Graduate: Dallas Theological Seminary

May 2016 MA in Christian Education. Track: College Teaching

Undergraduate: Moody Bible Institute

August 2012 BA in Biblical Studies

Undergraduate: Bryan College

2007-2009

Summit Ministries

2003 and 2006 Basic Worldview Training (John Stonestreet and Jeff Myers)

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Bryan College | 721 Bryan Drive. Dayton, TN.

Founder/Director of Evangelism Ministry – 2008-2009

Moody Bible Institute | 820 N. LaSalle Street. Chicago, IL.

Actively involved in Street Evangelism – 2009-2011

Oakland Church of the Nazarene | 3000 42nd St, NE. Cedar Rapids,

IA. Youth Group Intern – Summer 2011

Cedar Valley Bible Church and Christian School | 3636 Cottage Grove Ave, SE. Cedar Rapids, IA.

Staff/Bible Teacher – 2012-2014

Cedar Valley Bible Church | 3636 Cottage Grove Ave, SE. Cedar Rapids, IA.

Interim Youth Director – 2013

Dallas Seminary | Spiritual Formation

Men's Small Group Leader – 2014-2016

Covenant Christian Academy | 901 Cheek-Sparger Rd, Colleyville, TX.

Seminary Bible Intern – 2015-2016

Trinity Christian School | 6701 University Ave, Lubbock TX.

Bible Teacher – 2016-2018

The Woodlands Christian Academy | 5800 Academy Way, The Woodlands, TX.

Christian Education Teacher – 2019-2023

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Cedar Valley Christian School | 3636 Cottage Grove Ave, SE. Cedar Rapids, IA.

Head 5/6 Grade Basketball Coach – 2012-2014

Covenant Christian Academy | 901 Cheek-Sparger Rd, Colleyville, TX.

Head Freshman Basketball Coach – 2014-2016

Breakthrough Basketball | 5001 1st Avenue, SE. Cedar Rapids, IA.

Elite Guard Camp Instructor – Summer 2015

The Woodlands Christian Academy | 5800 Academy Way, The Woodlands, TX.

Head JV Basketball Coach – 2019-2023

PERSONAL SKILLS

Teaching Bible

Coaching Athletics

Mentoring

Public Speaking

SPIRITUAL GIFTEDNESS

Teaching

Leadership

Evangelism

Encouragement

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

I love being involved in sports in almost any capacity. I particularly enjoy playing indoor soccer, basketball, ultimate Frisbee, and softball. I have found that athletics are a great avenue to build relationships with people. I am interested in using my hobbies and passions to build relationships in which I can minister to others. I enjoy officiating college and High School softball, coaching basketball, and watching sports. I love to read and I find church history and theology to be the most exciting topics. I also enjoy watching movies– Lord of the Rings, Braveheart, Jason Bourne, and other action movies.

Overall, I am interested in using the gifts, abilities, and passions which God has given me as a avenue of accomplishing the Great Commission and encouraging others to do the same.

REFERENCES

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1. Marius Maduta	Bible Colleague/Pastor	832-421-8012	mmaduta7@yahoo.com
2. Tanner Field	Head Basketball Coach	979-450-3161	tfield@twca.net
3. Martiza Newman	English Teacher	630-280-9242`	martiza.newman@twca.net
4. Tom Fogle	English Teacher	319-360-5502	tfogle@cedarvalley.org

Additional references available upon request.