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Keith and Beth Pisani

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE: Multifaceted; Veteran Leader of Larger Staff & Facilities

- **Pastor/Senior Pastor:** Milwaukee, Wisconsin (3 years); NJ (7 years); Buffalo, NY (12 years); Miami FL (6 years); Atlanta, GA (8 years); Charlotte area (NC; 5 years). Ordained. Strong pulpit presence (expositional/transformational preaching, with relevant applications). Evangelistic/Soul-Winner (3,600+ souls). Discipler (author of 7 published books/conference speaker). Growth mentality, with results: PA and NJ quadrupled; WI tripled; FL doubled; NC doubled before Covid. New Construction: (a complete new Auditorium; 2 Fellowship Halls; 3 remodels). Leadership: (administrator; my largest church was 430-450); “Called by God” visionary who sets the table, thinks in layers, and leads (with others) in carrying out the work; Known for preaching God’s inerrant Word, with passion; Relational: We work well with all ages, backgrounds of people, and with Staff, Faculty, Boards, Committees, and both paid staff and lay leaders. Multiple staff: (Atlanta: 2 church side; Miami: 3 church side and 23+ school side; Buffalo: 6 church side and 23+ school side; NC: 4 church side; 15 school side as we started a Grade 1-6 elementary school in the summer of 2020, during Covid, so parents could keep their jobs; 52 students and one (1) parent received Christ in the first 12 months: 52 in 52 weeks, plus 20 more in 2022-2023 and 22 more in 2023-2024 – 95 Total – To God be the Glory). Pastoral and other ministries: Loving, caring approach; an equipper; an encourager; a discipler; we recognize God’s giftedness in others; we love the people and the people love us; a relationship builder; available, friendly, approachable, enthusiastic with a work ethic/motor that runs; energetic; we visit, mentor, counsel, and pray; good with the finances; evangelistic: preaching and teaching a “repent and receive” gospel; and we engage with our community. Prayer: Active in individual and church prayer emphasis including weekly Tuesday Evening Pew Prayers for growth. Missions: Personal ministries in 10 countries - conferences, crusades, workshops, seminars; mentoring; organized international trips. Conference speaker: USA, Canada, and Nat’l conferences in Liberia, Ghana, Togo, and Grenada; spoke also in Russia, Israel, Jordan, and England and at Church Camps in 11 states. Children’s Crusades: 34 crusades/850+ salvations (To God be the Glory); Radio speaker: (NC & Miami: Sunday AM full-length messages; Miami: daily 3-minute “drive-time” messages; and was voted a “Top 5” speaker in Greater Miami by *Spirit FM Radio*). Gym Ministries: Several decades: 384 Teens received Christ in one (1) of those years (Buffalo) To God be the Glory. Experience: In established, growing, and revitalization churches and in leading and organizing small group and home Bible Studies. Member: Multiple boards. Chair: Multiple Boards (community; school boards (3); including one public school board presidency), athletics; and others and the city’s *Elderly Affairs Committee* in Miami Lakes, FL as chairman of a board of 23 business executives and “aging agency’s” directors; provided events, monthly lectures, socials, goods and services, catastrophe aid, hurricane relief, and programs including the first ever ongoing Senior Olympic games in a cumulative program that reached upwards of 30,000 – 70,000 senior citizens; Author: 7 published books (all on Amazon.com): 4 Discipleship books (*Spiritual Lessons for Growing Believers/Bible Basics from A to Z Content Book*; *Spiritual Lessons for Growing Believers Workbook*; *Spiritual Lessons for New Believers/Follow Up Book*; *Jesus Loves Me/Children’s Follow-Up Book*); 2 Group Bible Study books for young professionals and millennials (*Breaking Out of Life’s Spiritual Prisons/A Life Set Free by Jesus*; *Breaking Out of Life’s Spiritual Prisons/Bible Study Guide*); One (1) Parenting Book (*How to Raise an Abel When the World is Raising Cain: A Book on Parenting*). A book on *Church Revitalization* is nearing

completion and should be published soon. Doctrine: Inerrancy; “Repent and Receive” salvation; 6-day, 24 hour each day creation; distinctively Baptist; Word-Centered.

Fundraisers: NJ: For a new auditorium and new fellowship hall; Buffalo: Paid off an inherited \$685,000 debt in 18 months; Miami: For cash, complete remodel of the church and school plus a new outdoor sports complex, parking lot and concrete light poles with lights, and two massive building repair projects following hurricanes Katrina and Wilma (for cash) as well as raising tens of thousands of dollars for our *Elderly Affairs* Committee’s work with our community’s Senior Citizens; NC: Complete remodel of the gymnasium, during Covid (for cash), the establishment of a new elementary school (during Covid) with a strong financial position, and a church-side financial balance that is the best the church has had in 20-30 years. We give praise to God! We baptize new believers, disciple, and equip the saints.

- **Christian Schools:** Head of School: Three Christian Schools/25 Years; Christian School Board President (two Christian schools). Public School Board President (one public school); Varsity head coach (39 seasons; four sports with teams in three sports ranked nationally: #4 in Varsity Basketball; #8 in Girls Varsity Volleyball; and #4 in Boys Varsity Football; and 5 of my last 8 basketball teams won state championships, including 2020-2021 and 2021-2022). Athletic Director: 20 years. As Head of School for three (3) schools worked with budgeting, curriculum, parents, staff, faculty, calendar, scheduling, boards, programs, accreditation, organization, counseling, meetings, the community, and more. Finalist for the presidency of 3 Christian universities (OH/PA/FL). We love children and engage with the parents. Our theme is: *Changing Lives for Eternity*. Our school children learn and are disciplined for Christ. Praise God for His work on our behalf. All glory goes to God.
- **Adjunct Professor:** Luther Rice Seminary (Lithonia, GA) teaching *Spiritual Formation* (Discipleship) and *Ministerial Duties* (How to Be a Pastor) to seminary students, Master’s level students, and to veteran pastors. To God be the Glory!
- **Family:** Married to Beth; Four children. Two married girls (NC/Atlanta); Two grown boys (MN/Atlanta/one married). Four grandchildren (with another on the way). Beth is an incredible Pastor’s/Minister’s wife who is “much loved” by all (teaches, music, keyboard, sings, leads Ladies Bible Studies, conference speaker, counsels, Christian School teacher: elementary chair and lead teacher at several schools; totally supportive and involved in the ministry; a “preacher’s kid” and a soul-winner and a discipler. She is a complementary counterpart, a role model, and has been/is greatly loved by every church in which we have served. Beth is a marvel for God.
- **Engagement:** Available and approachable: We are one with the church and the community. God has placed us where we are to use us as He pleases. We build relationships. This is more than a call. It is joining a family.

EMPHASIS: Christ-Centered; Strong Pulpit Ministry; Mission(s)-Minded; Biblical Priorities

- Strengths: Leadership, preaching, organization, evangelism, discipleship, equipping, encouragement, mentoring; relationship building; good with all generations; energy.
- Ministry: Outreach evangelism; discipleship/follow-up; church growth/leadership training; missions, support, encouragement, connectivity in worship, in-home small group Bible Studies (Athletes, College & Career, Young Professionals, Couples, and Mentoring), and fellowship in the context of doctrinal integrity. Totally committed to Christ and passionate for ministry. An equipper, mentor, and encourager. Works well with leadership, staff, boards, and committees. We connect, engage, and relate to all age groups (we draw them all). We exist to help. A servant’s heart.
- Preaching: Solid, fruit-filled, Christ-focused, dynamic, energetic, and enjoyable Word-Centered pulpit ministry. Expository/Transformational preaching style, with content and

applications, is a strength. People leave with something to know, something to do, and someone to be. We love God's people and God's people love us. Praise God, we connect.

- Priorities: Love, grace, joy, and mutual acceptance with the goal of a spiritually healthy, vital church. We love the Lord and we love people. Community-minded. A shepherd's heart.
- Style: Energetic. Enthusiastic. Transformational. Relevant. Expository. Biblical.
- Doctrine: Conservative and Evangelical. We are people of prayer. Core values include evangelism, discipleship, worship, fellowship, service, prayer, support, giving, Biblical authority/consistency with Scripture, missions, and unity. Unwavering on Inerrancy, "repent and receive" salvation, and a 6-day creation.
- Ordained: Yes.

EDUCATION:

1. Luther Rice Seminary - (Lithonia, Georgia) - Doctor of Ministries (D. Min.) - (4.0+ GPA)
2. Grace Theological Seminary (Winona Lake, IN) - Master of Divinity Degree (M. Div.) – (Honors)
3. Baptist Bible College of Pennsylvania (now: Clarks Summit University; Clarks Summit, PA) – B.R.E. in Pastoral Studies (Honors)
4. Akron Manchester High School (Akron, OH) - College Prep - (Honors)

Note: As I am currently on a writing sabbatical (finishing Book #8: Church Revitalization), you can watch archived sermons on my personal website page (sermons plus "mountain-top, base-of-waterfalls, on-the-trail, and river-side" devotionals). Also, there are numerous audio devotionals on the same site at www.keithpisaniministries.com. Also, I administrate: *Hikers of Faith* (a group Facebook/Faith Book page for Christian hikers). To God be the Glory! Great things He has done! Galatians 2:20 Not I, But Christ: "Promoting the Word-Centered Life." We are available, upon request. Also, I administrate: *Hikers of Faith* (a group Facebook/Faith Book page for Christian hikers). To God be the Glory! Great things He has done! *Galatians 2:20* Not I, But Christ: "*Promoting the Word-Centered Life.*" We are available, upon request.

References Available Upon Request