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I'm looking for a congregation where I can make a difference in preaching the Gospel of Christ.

CHARACTER OF MY PREACHING

- I preach that we CAN know truth.
- I respect the silence of the scriptures, Heb. 7:14.
- I preach that we must have authority for all that we say and do, Col. 3:17; 1 Pet. 4:11.
- I preach the absolute tragedy of dying in sin, Isa. 59:1-2; Rom. 3:23; 6:23.
- I encourage my audience to memorize scripture.
- I encourage my audience to read their Bibles.
- I apply the scriptures with practical ways to do what the Scriptures command.

SUMMARY OF SKILLS

- I have 30 years of experience in preaching, teaching, personal evangelism and internet evangelism.
- I am adept with a personal computer.
- I produce a nice bulletin.
- I have a good singing voice and often use it (singing hymns) in visitation.
- Hear examples of my sermons at: <https://gewatkins.net/tryout-sermons/>

EDUCATION

- My biblical education is by a course of self-study. I have read dozens of brotherhood classics and have referred to hundreds of titles from my library and the libraries of the university of Texas and area seminaries.
- I have supplemented my studies with classes in about 15 or so subjects at the Southwest School of Bible Studies. These courses include Hermeneutics, Personal Work, Greek, Homiletics, and Matthew through John.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Preacher, Marshfield church of Christ, Marshfield, MO, Feb. 2016 – July 2018. Full-time work.
- Preacher, Carrizo Springs church of Christ 2013-2016. Full-time work.
- 2008-2013, member of Dripping Springs church of Christ, Dripping Springs, TX, song leader, sometimes fill-in preacher.
- Preacher, Strickland Grove church of Christ, 1995-2008. Bi-vocational.
- Security Guard, 1987-2010, University of Texas at Austin and University of Texas System, medically retired.
- GEWatkins.net (<https://gewatkins.net/>), 2001-present. 3.5 million + page views a year to over 219 countries.

PLAN OF ACTION

- Visit the members and learn their concerns, note their prayer requests and circle of influence.
- Using the phone, e-mail, and texts engage those that are on the prayer list that are friends and family of members. We should let them know we care for their needs (spiritually, physically, and emotionally).
- The internet is equivalent to the agora (marketplace) in Paul's day. I would make sure that the local population could find their answers as they type them into their keyboards. I would also make sure they knew of the church as they visited friends and family on Facebook and other Social Media sites.
- Involve members in thinking of ways to improve the quality of what the church does. VBS, worship, benevolence, buildings and grounds, Bible class, youth activities, etc.
- Plan and execute sermons and Bible classes that deal both with the systematic study of God's Word along with dealing with immediate concerns that come up.

FAMILY

- Married to Jennifer for 25 years. This is the first marriage for both of us. We enjoy a stable relationship.
- We have two daughters: Marcy (25) and Abby (15).

REFERENCES

- Clyde Thompson, formerly elder, Strickland Grove church of Christ. 4565 State Highway 195, Georgetown, TX 78628, (512) 863-5037.

- Charles Cauley, elder, Southwest church of Christ. 2208 Lear Ln., Austin, TX 78745, (512) 442-1060. Recently retired for health concerns.
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