# MINISTRY LEADERSHIP



Making Visciples of Jesus Christ





## Welcome to Capitol Ministries!

APITOL MINISTRIES WAS FOUNDED in 1996 by Ralph and Danielle Drollinger with a mission to create 50 biblically based ministries of evangelism and discipleship in the 50 state Capitols of the United States of America. They discovered that only three of the 50 U.S. state Capitols already possessed similar ministries: Kentucky, Louisiana and Florida. A huge opportunity awaited them!

As with many good ideas, that bold and ambitious goal began with a nagging frustration.

Danielle Drollinger had become extremely frustrated as the executive director of a California state political action committee (PAC) that helped Christians become elected to state office. The PAC she headed was greatly successful, but shortly after many of the newly-elected Public Servants landed in Sacramento, it became clear that they lacked the spiritual maturity to stand up for the principles they claimed to possess.

Danielle expressed her frustration frequently to Ralph, who was experienced in the American sports ministry movement that planted ministries to athletes in high schools, colleges, and professional sports teams. One day during their discussions, it dawned on them that they could begin a new organization to place ministries not on high school and college campuses, but on government campuses to evangelize, disciple, and minister to Public Servants! And so the two worked together to create Capitol Ministries in the California State Capitol!

The model proved wildly successful and Capitol Ministries began expanding and replicating Bible ministries of evangelism and discipleship in other states.

Over the years, Capitol Ministries has planted Bible study ministries in more than 40 U.S. state Capitols, many of which are now independent, in Washington D.C. for Senators and Representatives, and nearly a dozen ministries in the Capitols of foreign nations. While those efforts continue, Capitol Ministries is in the process of creating a ministry to reach local Public Servants in the 33,000 incorporated cities and counties in the United States.

You will find more information about Capitol Ministries at our Website, www.capmin.org.





# The Mission of Capitol Ministries

APITOL MINISTRIES' MISSION is to bring the Word of God to the political leaders of nations from the beginning of their careers in local government to the highest levels they may reach in the national Capitols. We accomplish this by sending godly Bible teachers who are skilled in evangelism and discipleship ministry into the political communities to deliver weekly Bible studies and minister to Public Servants.

Our goal is to make disciples of Jesus Christ in the political arenas throughout the world.

Capitol Ministries stays out of politics altogether, believing that the Bible shows us that the focus needs to be on Public Servants rather than issues. As Ralph Drollinger, Founder and President of Capitol Ministries says, "When hearts are right, laws will be right."



The Biblical mandate for this vital work is found throughout the Bible; God commands us to reach kings and governmental leaders with His Word. Acts 9:15 speaks of the mission of the Apostle Paul. In this passage, the Lord tells Ananias to find Paul, lay hands on him so he might regain his sight. Not knowing about Paul's conversion, Ananias objects, pointing out that Paul, under his previous name of Saul, persecuted Christians.

"But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel."

The Lord makes it clear that three groups are to be reached with His Word and one of them is kings, or the leaders of nations.

1Timothy 2:1-4 reads: First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

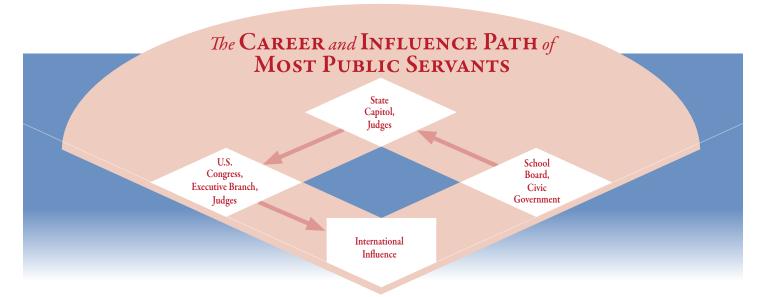
It is this mandate that Capitol Ministries follows as its work to help fulfill the Great Commission to take the gospel to kings and those in authority as Jesus Christ and the Apostle Paul commanded in the aforementioned passages.

May God help us to partner together to create a Spirit-led movement for Christ amongst the political leaders of the world!



## Strategy

APITOL MINISTRIES' BHAG (Big, Hairy, Audacious Goal) is to deliver the Gospel to every public servant, in every Capitol every year! Our vision is to begin with Public Servants' first local elected offices or appointed positions, and following them as they ascend to higher office. In doing so, the impact of the Gospel will be increased in every strata of government as Public Servants who have been immersed in the Word of God move from tier to tier. We are using an all-American icon—the baseball diamond—to illustrate our strategy:



### **FIRST BASE**

#### Reaching Public Servants in Local Government

Few of the 33,000 incorporated city and county governments in the United States have outposts for Christ, yet these are the birthplaces of Public Servants. We hope to reach them with God's Word through CivicReach™, a ministry that partners with the local churches to provide biblical ministries of evangelism and discipleship on government campuses across our nation.

#### **SECOND BASE**

### Reaching Public Servants in State Capitols

Capitol Ministries is working to plant biblical evangelism and discipleship ministries in the remaining 10 state Capitols that currently do not have them.

#### THIRD BASE

# Reaching U.S. Representatives and Senators in Washington, D.C.

In 2010 we achieved a long-term goal of planting a

weekly discipleship Bible study in the U.S. Capitol for members of the House of Representatives. In 2016 we established an identical Bible study for U.S. Senators. Today, the Members Bible studies that are presented to those national leaders are sponsored by more than 100 U.S. Representatives and Senators, and continues to attract additional lawmakers.

### **HOME PLATE**

# Reaching National Leaders in Foreign Federal Capitols

By working through relationships with Christian political leaders in D.C., Capitol Ministries is establishing ministries in foreign nations. We are recruiting and training Ministry Leaders to present biblical evangelism and discipleship ministries to the national political leaders in their own countries. Our objective is to plant 200 ministries in 200 Capitols around the world.



### Ministry Leader Job Description

APITOL MINISTRIES SEEKS MEN who are proven, intentional, deliberate, biblically reliant disciple makers to serve the ministry in their local or state governments, or foreign nations by providing Bible studies, evangelism, and discipleship to political leaders at every level of their career paths. Political leaders are often far from their homes, families, churches, pastors, and spiritual support, and are often subjected to trials, temptations, and situations in which they need the counsel and the support of strong Christians.

Capitol Ministries desires leaders who will lead solid, weekly expositional Bible studies, make disciples and evangelize others.

The Ministry Leader will facilitate regular times of fellowship, organize seminars, provide counseling and network with pastors and mature Christians in the Capitol. He will seek to build a fraternity among Christian Public Servants so that they might have the spiritual support they need to bear up under the political pressures of the day and make decisions for the country that are biblically based and pleasing to the Lord.

Developing personal relationships with these leaders will be key in establishing effective ministries in these Capitols.

### Function and Responsibilities

Ministry Leaders shall:

- Identify top Christian political leaders in their respective governments; organize and lead a weekly
  expositional Bible study for these leaders
- Evangelize non-Christian public servants, lead them to Christ, and lead them to spiritual maturity
- Discover and meet the needs of these leaders by providing training/seminars/sorties for these men and women so they are strengthened in their faith
- Create a fellowship amongst these leaders and supply needed support to them through personal contact and hospitality, and by engaging other Christians
- Ensure good communications amongst the group
- Supply regular written reports on the progress and impact of the ministry, with photos





### Spiritual Qualifications and Experience

The successful candidate shall possess the following spiritual qualifications:

- Possessing: Spiritual maturity, overseer qualities
- Passion: Person called by God on his heart
- Proven: An excellent ability to teach God's Word will write at least 26 expository Bible studies to Public Servants per year. A Word-centered ministry, not a sign/gift-centered ministry
- Proficiency: Ability to evangelize and disciple leaders
- Principle: A high view of Scripture and its authority. Agrees with and signs NAE doctrinal statement, which can be found at www.capmin.org
- Practice: Available and financially stable to devote time to the ministry
- Politically Neutral: Works with and accepted by political leaders from diverse political ideologies. Puts
  Kingdom values as only ministry criteria and not known as a political activist

#### Natural Qualifications and Experience

A gifted individual who has acknowledged abilities in the following areas:

- Entrepreneurial: Makes things happen on his own
- Enduring: Will persist when it is difficult
- Endearing: Makes friends easily; gifted in hospitality
- Exciting: Can lead and persuade others to follow his passion
- Established: Has a good previous record of accomplishment

### Other Qualifications and Experience

- College education preferred, with a fruitful history of evangelism, discipleship, and Bible teaching
- Commitment to ministry as a lifetime calling
- Spiritually mature and seasoned individual regardless of age
- Comfortable with and capable of raising support for his ministry. Successful candidates will be either be individually resourceful or able to raise personal support to carry out the ministry
- Willing to associate with other Ministry Leaders
- Open to growth as a team member

#### **Documents Required**

- Resumé/CV
- Letter of motivation
- Copies of diplomas and/or other certificates
- Letter of recommendation from the candidate's pastor
- Three references with e-mail addresses and phone numbers





# The Biblical Basis for Capitol Ministries

A SAN EXTENSION OF THE LOCAL CHURCH and to build up political leaders in Christ, our ministries provide consistent and systematic teaching of God's Word, one-on-one ministry, biblical counseling, and special events such as Pastors' Day at the Capitol.



We believe that the Scriptures are the final authority and arbitrator on all matters pertaining to faith and practice, including the execution of our mission. The Word of God provides both the message for ministry (Romans 10:9-10) and its methodology (Matthew 28:19-20).

In the Old Testament, God repeatedly expresses His desire that His chosen people, the nation of Israel, be a light to the Gentile nations and their leaders (Isaiah 60:3, 62:2). Over and over again, He sends His prophets to bear His name and proclaim His Word before kings and rulers.

In the New Testament, God chooses Paul to bear His name before kings (Acts 9:15) in the midst of a corrupt Roman society. Paul is well aware of how the Romans have abused his Jewish contemporaries and ancestors in Palestine. Yet in spite of overt persecution and glaring political corruption, he remains focused on seeing individuals delivered from the deadly bondage of sin and made alive through new life in Christ (Ephesians 2:1-5).

Paul does not lobby the emperor or Senate for new

laws. Instead he remains focused on the furtherance of the gospel, proclaiming saving faith in Christ to the most influential men in Roman government and winning converts even amongst Caesar's household (Philippians 4:22).

Regardless of his surroundings, Paul's message and methodology remain the same: "Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice" (Philippians 1:18; cf. 4:22).

Accordingly, Capitol Ministries strives to proclaim Christ to governmental leaders and teach them His Word. We seek to fulfill the biblical mandate to evangelize and disciple all those in the political community: elected officials, staff, and lobbyists.

Furthermore, we seek to exhort fellow believers in the body of Christ to honor governmental leaders in both word and deed by prioritizing evangelism (1 Timothy 2:1-4), practicing godly submission (Romans 13:1-7, 1 Peter 2:13-17), and pursuing biblical disciple making (Matthew 28: 19-20).