

**An eLetter to the ceCommunity
from the AGTS Office of Continuing Education
"biblical answers...empowered ministry...global impact"
October 2005**

What's Below?

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ceLines:

Hello Friends:

AGTS has created a new vision statement. We're still dangerously authentic and radically transformed, but we are focusing this passion on three things we believe truly matter to God...biblical answers, empowered ministry, global impact. You'll be seeing much more of this statement fleshed out in the promotional literature that we send out.

In the meantime, take some time to reflect on how your own education experience with AGTS is accomplishing these things. I'd love to hear your stories, so drop me a line and let me know if this stuff truly does matter.

Until next time...

I wish you well,
Randy C. Walls, Director
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NEWSFLASH: Graduation Registration...If you plan to complete all your degree requirements between now and August 2006, please contact Sarah Clark at 1-800-467-2487, ext. 1025 or by e-mail at sclark@agts.edu by October 31, 2005.

ceLinks:

Check out these web sites!

[ChurchWorldDirect.com](http://www.ChurchWorldDirect.com). This is a very practical website geared toward providing information on the resources needed to operate your ministry.

<http://www.secondchairleaders.com/>. This is the website that Mike Bonem and Roger Patterson have set up to offer "associate" pastors the opportunity to dialogue with each other about the unique calling and challenges that they face in leading from the 2nd, or 3rd, or 4th chair in ministry.

<http://www.thetruthmatters.com>. This is a great website by AGTS Board of Directors member, Dr. Charles Nestor. In the midst of a very successful church leadership experience, Charles was struck with MS. Hear how this journey has shaped his ministry today through this personal reflection website.

ceSources:

Books/Articles you can count on!!!

Leading from the Second Chair by Mike Bonem and Roger Patterson. This is a great book on what it means to be an associate pastor, and how to navigate the unique calling and challenges that you face in this church leadership position. Every pastor (associate or not) should read this one.

If you'd like to order this, or any other books from the AGTS Bookstore, just contact Ray Reid at rreid@agts.edu.

ceCourses:

Here's the web-link to the ceCourses:

http://www.agts.edu/continuing_education/sites/schedules.html

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