
MEET THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE COALITION ON REVIVAL AND CHURCH COUNCIL PROJECT



WELLINGTON BOONE.

Wellington Boone was born again as a young man of 25 years old through a dramatic personal encounter with Jesus Christ. He was alone in his room during a time of crisis when he was overcome by the Shekinah glory of God. He immediately began sharing his faith and winning people to Christ. A short time later, he married his childhood sweetheart Katheryn Watley in November 1973. He served under other pastors for a time and then began holding Christian gatherings in hotels in Richmond, Virginia, that were attended by enthusiastic multiracial gatherings.

NATIONAL IMPACT.

In the 1980s, Wellington Boone met Dr. Jay Grimstead of the Coalition on Revival and adopted him as his “spiritual father.” He began to take an active part in the national councils of theologians that were developing position papers on Biblical worldview. In 2022, he became president of the organization founded by Dr. Grimstead, Coalition on Revival (COR). COR is seeking to restore Biblical inerrancy to the Church and the Biblical worldview to its rightful place in society. In 1978, the International Council for Biblical Inerrancy (ICBI) published a landmark paper, "The Chicago Statement Biblical Inerrancy." The ICBI was birthed, and the scholars were gathered together by Dr. Grimstead in 1977.



BEGINNING OF CHURCH PLANTING.

In 1981, Pastor Boone incorporated the future Wellington Boone Ministries and launched his first church in Ettrick, Virginia, near the campus of Virginia State University. The church reached college students in the area and so he founded New Generation Campus Ministries (NGM) in 1982 and placed it under the leadership of Garland and Eileen Hunt. By 1995 it was active on more than 50 campuses.

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

In 1984, Pastor Boone left Pastor Joseph Green in charge of the church in Ettrick and planted a new church, Manna Christian Fellowship of Richmond, Virginia. They met for a while in the 200-year-old Monumental Church near the State Capitol in downtown Richmond. Then Manna renovated a car dealership at the corner of Belvedere and Broad where they had an active street ministry and noonday prayer and praise. In September 1989, they purchased a large church and 10 acres of land at 6851 South Laburnum Avenue where activities continued day and night. This predominantly Black church reached out to Richmond's White community, including the former owner of the church land, a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

FOUNDATION OF PRAYER, CONSECRATION, AND TRAINING TO BE GODLY LEADERS.

Early Morning Prayer met weekdays at 5:00 AM and on Saturdays at 6:00 AM. College students attended summer Leadership Training Schools, and some joined the NGM ministry after graduation, raising their own financial support. Intercessors met regularly for three-day shut-ins at the church, and the leaders in the congregation fasted one day every week and for three weeks at the beginning of every year in January. Inner-city outreaches were a regular event, and some moved into those locations to live. The church started Kingdom Preparatory Academy for elementary school students and maintained a year-round Christian daycare with summer camps.

FOCUS ON SERVING CITIES.

Manna was the hub of communication for weekly city-wide prayer meetings where pastors of different races and denominations came together to pray in churches and inner-city locations. Over a period of years, the murder rate dropped substantially as a result of prayer and evangelism. As various leaders were raised up through the local church and campus ministry, Pastor Boone began to commission elders at Manna as pastors and sent them to plant churches in different cities.

TRAINING LEADERS AND SENDING THEM OUT.

The Fellowship of International Churches (FOIC) was founded in 1994 by then "Pastor" Wellington Boone in covenant with the elders of Manna Christian Fellowship in Richmond. They conferred on him the title of "Bishop." Since that time the elders have become pastors, and some have also become bishops. They have planted churches in other cities and states as well as leading international outreach ministries.

RAISING SPIRITUAL SONS AND GIVING THEM RESPONSIBILITY.

In 1995, Bishop Boone released Manna Christian Fellowship of Richmond to the leadership of his associate pastor and "spiritual son," Bishop Marvin Mason, and moved to Atlanta with his family and a church planting team. He founded The Father's House in Norcross, Georgia, and served as senior pastor until March 2015 when he commissioned as pastors his spiritual son and daughter Bishop Garland Hunt and Pastor Eileen Hunt.

INTERNATIONAL, MULTICULTURAL CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP FOR NATIONS.

Now FOIC has bishops and pastors from many races and cultures serving the Lord Jesus Christ in other nations of the world, and we are constantly expanding. Our people are Christ-centered leaders of churches, Bible schools, and education and feeding programs for children. We campaign for leadership positions, from high school and college students to Congress. Every day, our people make an impact on business, education, civil government, the media, sports, and other areas of society from a Biblical base.

WE BELIEVE!

We believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe in salvation in Christ alone, inerrancy of the Bible, and the power of the baptism in the Holy Spirit. We believe that eternal life begins now, and we will be held accountable to God for every thought, word, and deed on the Day of Judgment. Jesus Christ calls us to fulfill a Great Commission to make disciples of all nations and we are being trained now to rule with Him in the next world. FOIC was founded by Wellington Boone and his pastors in 1994 to provide godly standards and Christian fellowship for pastors and ministry leaders. FOIC bishops, pastors, and Christian leaders oversee the planting and development of churches and train servant leaders known for their consecration and Bible-based, eternity-focused Christian leadership for the culture. The website for Dr. Boone and FOIC is wellingtonboone.com. If you have questions about Dr. Boone or his FOIC team, please email them to Jay Grimstead (jgrim1776@gmail.com), and I will either answer the questions or forward them to Dr. Boone.



Bishop Wellington Boone (middle front) with 11 of THE 20 bishops from the Fellowship of International Churches.