



## RON BARKER

Ron received his Bachelor of Science degree from East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN. He received his Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX. Ron also received his Doctorate of Ministry from North Greenville University in 2013. He served in the U.S. Navy Seabees in 1969 – 1972 with an active tour of duty in Vietnam, 1970. In 1976 - 1977 he taught at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX. Later in 2003 – 2005 Ron served as an adjunct and full time college professor for the North Georgia College and State University. He also taught preaching at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute in Hendersonville, North Carolina and has been an adjunct professor at Charleston Southern University.

Saved at the age of 10, Ron accepted his call to the ministry while serving in the U.S. Military. With a Civil Engineering background, he pastored churches in Tennessee, Oklahoma, Texas and Georgia. Ron served three years as Associate Pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, with pastor, Charles Stanley. He served in the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board for nine years. Planted and pastored a church, Gainesville, Georgia for 10½ years. Before coming to South Carolina, Ron served the Missouri Baptist Convention as an associate in Personal Evangelism/Spiritual Awakening. He now serves South Carolina Baptist Convention in the area of Evangelism and discipleship.

“Out of my life’s experiences I have been able to go through these last 35 plus years with a lot of confidence in the faithfulness of the Lord. Being married, raising three children, pastoring, traveling and teaching have all had their challenges but in every case God has been more than faithful to me. Joshua 1:1-5 is a special verse that gives us this promise, ‘...I will never leave you or forsake you...’ Another verse that has meant a lot to me is Ephesians 3:20 ‘Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.’”

Ron and his wife, Joy, have three children: Jon Barker-son , Pastor of Worship in South Carolina, Andrew Barker-son, married with 2 children and employed with SLED in South Carolina, Jenny Barker-daughter is currently living in New York City and working at Redemmer Presbyterrian Church in New York City , assisting in the planting of churches.

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