

# Harold Ryan Higgins

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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Birth Date:** August 31, 1980

**Married to** Lucy Higgins 12-11-04

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, Troy State University, Troy, AL, 2001

**Children:** None

**Licensed to the Gospel Ministry** by First Baptist Church, Conway, AR, 2005

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Arts in Religion**

University of Central Arkansas

2004

Conway, Arkansas

**Master of Arts in Christian Education**

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

2008

Fort Worth, Texas

## MINISTRY OBJECTIVE

Provided the gifts given me, my goal in ministry is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and reach the lost by equipping other believers to do the same, through education and/or camping and missions experiences.

## MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

**Substitute Teacher, Southwest Christian School, Fort Worth, TX, October 2008- present**

- Substitute for grades 7-12

**Volunteer, Southcliff Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, August 2006 - present**

Ministries and activities in which I am/was involved:

- Ministry Associate Program
- Visitation and follow-up with guests
- Pre-school worker
- Special events such as Cowtown Carnival and Singing Christmas Tree
- Sunday School

**Summer Staff, Camp Agape/Ocoee Resort Ministries, Benton, TN Summers 2002-2004, 2006**

Activities and ministries for which I was responsible:

- Receiving mission teams
- Planning orientation activities
- Leading/helping with recreation events such as caving, ropes course, climbing wall/zip line, field games, team building activities, and hiking
- Leading daily devotions, Bible studies, and creative worship activities
- Leading mission teams in community ministries such as construction, Boys/Girls Clubs, nursing home ministries, local evangelism, beach evangelism, food drive/food closet, crisis center, back yard Bible clubs/VBS, river guide food ministry, homeless shelters, random acts of kindness
- Acting as a resource for mission/retreat teams

- Planning/contacting/coordinating mission activities for teams (2004)
- Being a leader for male summer staff (2004)
- Preparing meals/kitchen duties
- Acting as teacher/leader for Kids Camp
- Assisting with other camp duties as assigned such as camp clean-up and cleaning of facilities

**Camp Pastor, Camp Tipton, Maryville, TN, 2006-2007**

- Planned Creation Camp lessons/activities for children
- Led/taught Creation Camp
- Developed Missions Camp Bible study/lessons for children
- Taught Bible study
- Assisted in leading construction activity for missions camp

**Volunteer, First Baptist Church, Conway, Arkansas, 2001-2006**

Ministries/Activities in which I led or participated:

- Youth activities such as Bible studies, small groups, acting as a leader
- Played music in praise band for youth
- Assisted with special events for youth such as lock-ins and food drives
- Coached youth flag football teams
- Played in college praise band
- Played in Sunday morning praise band
- Helped teach Sunday School
- Worked in children's ministry leading recreation, Bible lessons, and acting as a leader for boys
- Church building opener/closer for Sunday and Wednesday services (paid)

**Volunteer Missions Experience 2001-2008**

- Conway, AR- Soul Food Café- food/clothes distribution
- Conway, AR- City of Lights Children's Foundation- Board member/ mission planning
- Panama City, FL- Beach Reach (2002)
- Belize- construction (2003)
- Thailand- youth retreat (2004)
- Greece- evangelism (2004)
- Romania- Back yard Bible camps (2005)
- Brazil- orphanage work (2006)
- Uruguay- evangelism and Bible distribution (2007)
- Mexico- evangelism (2008)

**MAJOR SECULAR EXPERIENCE**

**Landscaper, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX 2006-present**

- Shop supervisor
- Power mowing supervisor
- Operate machinery such as commercial power mowers, tractors, chainsaws, all-terrain vehicles, dump truck, wood chipper, hedge trimmers, street sweeper

**Delivery Driver, Ye Olde Daisy Shoppe, Conway, AR 2003-2006**

- Planned/processed/implemented deliveries and routes
- Organized holiday deliveries
- Assisted with other duties such as assigned

**Tree Crewman/Back-up Foreman, Wright's Tree Service, DeQueen, AR 2001**

- Obtained CDL
- Operated bucket truck with boom
- Maintained trees surrounding power lines
- Acted as crew foreman when needed

**Construction Worker, Davis Patio and Door, DeQueen, AR 1995-2000**

- Assisted in a wide range of construction projects such as siding houses, installing doors/windows, awnings, gutters, tile, decks, etc.

**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS**

Mission work, travel, sports, long-distance running, geography, outdoors, camping, hiking, wildlife

**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Growing up in rural Arkansas and having little exposure to Christianity, from an early age I began to live a “wild” life of drinking, parties, and rebellion. There were, however, gospel seeds planted in my youth that would not come to fruition until after two years of college, during which time God used certain situations to cause me to think about Him. I found myself at church, accepted Christ, who soon began to change me through conviction to be concerned about the things of God. Over a year later, I accepted a call to ministry. Since that time, God has continued to show me that life really is all about making much of Jesus, knowing Him, and pointing others to Him. Through my experiences and studies, God has given me an awareness of the global task and a desire to see others know Him and make Him known.

**REFERENCES**

**Chris Stewart, Director of Camp Agape/Ocoee Resort Ministries, 355 Camp Agape Rd, Benton, TN 37307**  
(423) 715-3744

**Andy Jordan, Director of Camp Tipton, 3954 Leyte Dr., Maryville, TN 37801**  
(865) 776-8760

**Alan Hahn, Owner of Ye Olde Daisy Shoppe, 1308 Oak St., Conway, AR 72034**  
(501) 472-4473

**Joey Cruse, Director of Landscaping at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 7932 Woodrock Ct., Fort Worth, TX 76137** (817) 713-9271