



Family Essentials

Family Coaching & Pastoral Counseling

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Vision 2020

Building strong loving families and churches!

Family Essentials is working with Great Commission Alliance to train and disciple pastors, families and churches in the US and in 25 countries around the world.

Family Essentials is counseling via telehealth in a couple of states as well as locally in the Orlando area.

Family Essentials has reached out to a local African American church to help coach their leaders in fatherhood and parenting seminars.

Our vision for 2020/2021 is to be working with pastors and churches in the US & in 10 countries!

GCA will be training pastors/leaders from Pakistan and Family Essentials will be joining them in traveling to India in Dec/Jan to teach alongside them.

Richard will be traveling to Manila in the Spring of 2021 to be the Guest Lecturer at Manila Bible Seminary for two weeks.

Family Update



Laurie and I celebrated 49 years of marriage on July 17th!

We enjoyed dinner with family and friends eating at one of our local restaurants. Our granddaughters had us wear the "hat" to celebrate!

We have been blessed through our marriage to have people in our lives who encouraged us and challenged us in our relationship with each other.

Thank you Jesus for your love and grace over these years.

Making a Difference



Penny* is a single African American mother who is in a custody battle with her Ex who has threaten her and has cause anxiety with her four children.

Her 15 year old daughter has shared that she feels she is the guardian for her family. She also has shared about the current situation in our society. She knows it was wrong how George Floyd was killed but the rioting is wrong too.

Meeting with this family and listening to their fears and anxieties allows us to help them to vent and learn about relaxation techniques to deal with their anxieties.

Penny is a strong loving mother who values her faith in Jesus and church involvement to keep her family moving in a positive direction.

**Name/picture not the real family to protect the family.*

Travel News

Richard had a very rewarding trip to Colorado in July. He will be returning to Colorado in September to continue sharing about Family Essentials.

Financial Update

In the past two months our partnership has raised over **15%** of total funding for the year! Our next goal of being 20% funded is almost there.

Thank you for those who have partnered with us and for those who will be partnering soon with this ministry.

Pray with Us

We would appreciate your continued prayers:

- Great Commission Alliance Team training pastors/leaders from Pakistan
- Coming alongside local pastors who are in need of an impartial ear and heart for ministers
- Wisdom in helping individuals and families through counseling/coaching