



David Allen

David L. Allen serves as the Dean of the School of Preaching, and holds the George W. Truett Chair of Pastoral Ministry at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

During his ministry he served as senior pastor of two churches for a total of 21 years, and has served as interim pastor of a dozen churches.

He is currently working on a commentary on Job (*Exalting Jesus in Job*) in the Christ-Centered Exposition Commentary Series and *The Atonement of Christ* in the Baptist Theology Series. His most recent book, *The Extent of the Atonement*, was published in 2016.



Jim Cymbala

Pastor Jim Cymbala is a native New Yorker, raised in the borough of Brooklyn. His early love of basketball earned him a scholarship to the University of Rhode Island, where he became captain of the basketball team. After graduation, he immediately entered the business world and, soon after, he married his childhood sweetheart, Carol Joy Hutchins. Pastor Cymbala and Carol began their lives together and before long, though he did not have formal theological training, Pastor Cymbala felt a call to the ministry.



John Meador

John Meador has served as senior pastor of First Baptist Church Euless since 2006. He is passionate about the Word of God and committed to teaching it creatively because he loves to watch it transform lives. Under his leadership, First Euless has become an intergenerational, multi-ethnic and mission-focused church. His heart and vision have shaped it to become a place that reaches into the community and into the world. He believes those armed with the Gospel leave a lasting mark, and challenges everyone he leads to be a culture-changer as they carry the good news into the world around them.

Through the years, John has pastored in Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas. He and his wife Kim have been married for over 37 years and are parents of 6 grown children. John loves guns, “real” sports, building things, and driving around in his old Ford F-150.



Wade Morris

Wade is from Birmingham, Alabama and a graduate from Samford University where he received a degree in Business Finance. He also received his Master of Divinity Degree from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Wade served on staff at several churches before he surrendered to a full time call to itinerant ministry. Wade is the founder and producer of The Journey Bible Study Series, which is a study that walks people through the reading and understanding from books of the Bible. The Journey allows listeners to gain knowledge of the Word of God as well as a chance to apply it to their lives.



Robert Smith

Robert Smith, Jr. serves as Charles T. Carter Baptist Chair of Divinity Beeson Divinity School where he teaches Christian Preaching. Previously he served as the Carl E. Bates Associate Professor of Christian Preaching at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. A popular teacher and preacher, he received Southern's 1996 Findley B. Edge Award for Teaching Excellence. An ordained Baptist minister, he served as pastor of the New Mission Missionary Baptist Church in Cincinnati, OH for twenty years. He earned his Ph.D. while serving as pastor. He is a contributing editor for a study of Christian ministry in the African American church, Preparing for Christian Ministry, and co-editor of A Mighty Long Journey.



David McKinney

David McKinney serves as the Associate Global Worship Pastor at Cross Church Campuses in Springdale / Pinnacle Hills / Fayetteville, Arkansas. He was the Worship Pastor at Liberty University for 6 years before coming to Cross Church in 2011. David and his wife, Rachel, have 2 children – Macy-Beth and Mack.



The Skit Guys

Tommy Woodard and Eddie James are The Skit Guys. They have been best friends since high school. Think of them as the wise guys in class who had everyone laughing and managed to make a career out of it. They've been teaching God's word using comedy, drama and whatever category talking action figures fit into for over twenty years.