

I was born in Denver City, TX in 1941. Being the son of an oil man, our family moved frequently. We eventually settled in Rotan, Texas, where I began my walk with Jesus at the age of twelve. After graduating high school in 1960, I moved to Abilene to attend Draughon's College of Business. My heart's desire, however, was to serve my country through joining the Air Force, which I did later that same year.

I began to feel the pull of God's calling on my life, but I choose to enter military service instead. I spent four years at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma, attending church and being shaped by God into the man He had designed me to be. Toward the end of my military service I surrendered myself to God's call on me and prepared myself to go into the ministry.

After discharge from the Air Force, I enrolled at Oklahoma Baptist College in Shawnee. There I met my future bride and life long companion. Wilma and I were married in June of 1967.

After attending school for one year I accepted my first assignment from Oak Street Baptist Church in Kingfisher, Oklahoma, where I was also ordained. This church had recently experienced a difficult split, so I was able to serve God through ministering to many hurting people and helping this church become a healthier extension of the body of Christ.

God released me from Oak Street Baptist, and I was placed in service at a variety of Baptist churches in several small towns in Oklahoma. The experience of serving God's people in smaller setting, getting to know the people more intimately, is where my interest and journey into the study of forgiveness was birthed.

That journey began in earnest when God sent me back to school at Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. From there I spent the next 18 years pasturing churches in both Oklahoma and Texas. In 1987, after years of walking with the Lord, God brought me into the full knowledge and power of the Holy Spirit and I became "Spirit filled". What an exciting time of discovery this was for me as I took the role of student rather than teacher, attending church as only a parishioner for the first time in years.

In 2001 I became a faith based board certified Pastoral Therapist and began counseling. Through the experience of 20 years of counseling as a pastoral therapist and the compilation of all my studies, the Lord led me to create a seminar on dealing with bitterness and forgiveness. My wife and other close friends encouraged me to catalog the experiences and information, and from this came my first two books, "The Grace of Justice" and "To Walk in Forgiveness".

Currently Wilma and I reside in Oklahoma and are the proud parents of two beautiful daughters and grandparents of eight delightful grandchildren. We continue to walk in service to God. Currently I teach at Bibleway Family Fellowship, assist a local pastor with a church plant, and help God's children throw off bitterness and unforgiveness through my writings and seminars. May God receive al the glory, as He so richly deserves!