

SCOTTLINK

With grateful hearts, we say thank you for
your prayers and financial partnership.

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Big Changes Are Happening!

It has been thirteen years since the Lord first led us to join the staff at FamilyLife. At that time our vision was cloudy but our call to go was made resoundingly clear. We were a bit hesitant at first as it didn't make sense to us not to be in the local church, but in faith and obedience we followed the Lord. During these past thirteen years the Lord has refined us and has brought to focus our vision. In 2010 we began to place our focus on ministry marriages through developing the Pastor sessions at FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember getaways. Then in 2012 the Lord allowed us to be involved in a partnership between FamilyLife and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY, to be proactive in reaching ministry marriages. This partnership has allowed us to see more clearly the need those who are in or preparing for vocational ministry (both married and single) have to be poured into, as they are tirelessly pouring out.

While serving through this partnership Tom has had the privilege of completing his Masters Degree in Biblical Counseling, which has allowed us more clarity in how we can best serve these ministers of the gospel. Daily we have the privilege to see the Lord use His Word to change the hearts of His people, through counseling them with the methods of Biblical Counseling. This is a one to one ministry method. However, FamilyLife's ministry method is a one to many ministry, and one that does provide great discipleship tools and resources, yet they do not provide counseling specifically. Although FamilyLife is supportive of what we are doing and we continue to be supportive of FamilyLife, our focus' are distinct enough to serve side by side as different ministries. So after a couple of years of praying and seeking counsel we feel the Lord has led us to step away from FamilyLife to begin a new ministry where we can serve ministers of God's word on a one to one level.

Our new ministry is called the [Center for Biblical Living](#) (CBL) and is a 501c3 non-profit organization. CBL seeks to assist the local church by providing biblical counseling to those preparing for and those already in vocational ministry. Our mission is to see ministers of the gospel remain rooted in Christ throughout their life, regardless of the challenges they may face. We accomplish this by providing a biblical counseling partnership with like-minded local churches, denominations, mission agencies, and seminaries. We currently partner with the The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and several churches in the Louisville area. Our hope is that we will be able to expand our ministry to other seminary campuses in the next few years.

What Does All Of This Mean?

Our last day with FamilyLife is August 31st. We will remain in Louisville, Kentucky and continue to do the work we have been doing with students on campus at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, with pastors and missionaries. In order for us to continue we are needing to transition our support over from CRU to the Center for Biblical Living. We are currently in the process of asking our supporters to move with us.

We would ask that you would prayerfully consider either transitioning with us if you are a current supporter, or beginning as new supporter. Our hope is to

have all of our support transitioned to CBL by September 15th. We realize this is no small task and not a lot of time, but we also believe our Lord is able to move mountains and has no bounds.

This whole transition is a huge leap of faith. We are thankful the Lord has given us an army of supporters (you), and a board of directors (check them out at www.centerforbiblicalliving.org/about) that pushes us to walk in obedience to our Savior. Since we first announced all of this at the beginning of August we have experienced opposition from the enemy through several peripheral things (air conditioner breaking, roof leak, ect.). These are good reminders that we have only one hope, Our Lord. Psalm 135:13-14 says, "Your name, O Lord, endures forever, your renown, O Lord, throughout all ages. For the Lord will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants."

How You Can Help

ONLINE GIVING

If you have been making automatic withdrawals from a checking or credit card account you can discontinue your giving online at www.ccci.org/give if you have a user id and password. You can also call Donation Services at 1.888.278.7233 in order to stop your giving. You can also email egift@cru.org asking to stop your recurring gift for Tom and Robyn Scott (staff number: 0578513).

To transition an automatic withdraw to CBL please visit www.centerforbiblicalliving.org/donate. This will allow your automatic gifts to continue to support the work we are doing.

CHECKS

If you have been giving to our ministry with FamilyLife through sending checks to CRU, please make your next check payable to "Center for Biblical Living" or "C4BL" and send it to Center for Biblical Living, P.O. Box 436825, Louisville, KY 40253.

As you might expect there are a number of expenses in beginning a new organization. Would you donate a special gift in any amount toward these expenses? This would help our transition and CBL to launch smoothly. We trust the Lord on this new adventure and pray you will join us in trusting Him as well.

Prayer and Praise:

Pray as we begin this new adventure.

Pray we can stay focused and not be distracted from what the Lord is asking us to do.

Pray for our support to be transitioned in a timely manner.

Pray for wisdom for our board members as they serve with us.

Praise the Lord for 13 great years growing in ministry with FamilyLife.

Praise the Lord for FamilyLife and their gospel focus on marriage and family.

Praise the Lord for God's faithful financial provision for our family.

Praise the Lord for the Word of God that provides what we need for life and godliness (1 Peter 1:3-13).