

WORKING IN A BIG FIELD!



Helping men walk with Christ and lead well is a BIG job. No one individual or ministry could accomplish the task alone. That's why Noble Warriors is part of the National Coalition of Ministries to Men (NCMM). Some of you know the role that NCMM played in the founding of NW. I'm thankful for that part of our story.

NCMM connects the men who disciple men.

I've served on the NCMM Board of Directors for several years and am currently serving a term as NCMM President. **(Thank YOU! for your prayers and support for me in this role.** Through our involvement in NCMM, we are learning from and encouraging other ministries and ministry leaders across the country as they disciple men!)

I continue to be blessed and encouraged by the breadth and depth of impact by our various NCMM members. Some lead regional ministries like Noble Warriors. Others are authors, speakers or bloggers. We have members who focus on outdoor ministry, purity, serving widows and orphans, grandfathering, etc.

The list is long because the need is great and the opportunities are many.

Learn more about NCMM and our members at www.ncmm.org. Also, I'm excited to announce that NCMM is collaborating with Promise Keepers to offer a high-impact two-day event in Dallas, Texas; **National Training on Ministry to Men** on October 22-23. Many in the NW family will be interested in this opportunity.

NCMM NATIONAL TRAINING ON MINISTRY TO MEN

In the meantime, would you...

- ▶ Pray that God would call more men to labor specifically in this field?
- ▶ Also, pray for this National Training event in October to be a valuable time for connection, encouragement and equipping for the men who disciple men.
- ▶ Ask God if you should be part of this event! We'd love to have you!

MINUTE WITH MIKE

Global Perspective

My trip with Hannah to Bangladesh was my fifth to that country. It's always encouraging for me to spend time with faithful workers there who prayerfully develop and execute strategies to share the gospel, baptize believers, disciple leaders and plant churches.

Discipling men is critical to their strategy. It's true around the world, when God transforms a man, everything around him changes. And this change (especially in places where living out faith in Christ is truly difficult or dangerous) positively impacts all their relationships. **God is at work in these places!**

So is Satan. As I was headed to the airport, I received a text from a missionary friend about how Satan was working to take out a visible leader in a local church. I'm always saddened by these stories. But I've gotten over being surprised. **Men are high value targets for the enemy.** He is *prowling like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.* 1 Peter 5:8.

We must... *Resist him, firm in our faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.* 1 Peter 5:9

- ▶ Let's pray together for the men we know who are seeking to walk faithfully with Christ.
- ▶ But, let's also pray for brothers that we may not know who are under attack around the world.

Never underestimate the impact of your prayers and partnership as we work together to help man stand up as Satan attacks.

LEADING NOBLE MEN ROANOKE

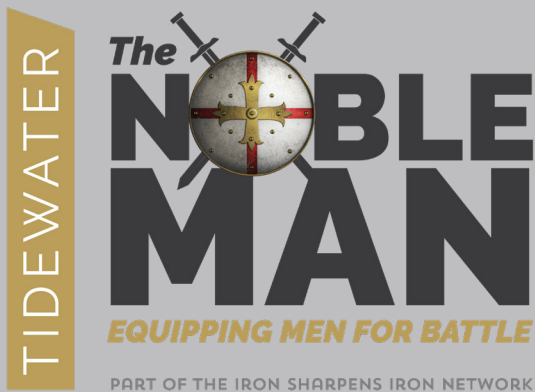
CONFERENCE



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We're excited to offer a **Leading Noble Men Conference** for pastors and men's ministry leaders in **Roanoke, VA on October 1st**. Carl Benjamin is leading the charge on this effort to serve pastors and leaders in the western part of the state! **REGISTER** at NobleWarriors.org/LNMroanoke

▶ Join us in praying that God will help us connect with new churches and pastors throughout the Valley!



THE NOBLE MAN TIDEWATER

We're also fired up about year two of **The Noble Man in Tidewater**. We'll be at **Coastal Community Church on October 26th** to encourage and equip men. **Art Athens** shared a powerful keynote message in Roanoke last year, so we've invited him back to talk about Living and Leading in Babylon. **Bobby Scott** has spoken for us several times; his unpacking of how Adam's sin continues to affect men today is compelling. **CHECK OUT** NobleWarriors.org/Tidewater for details.

HANNAH AND MIKE returned from their father/daughter mission trip to South Asia. Her favorite part was tea stall evangelism.

BEN is finishing up his SUMMER of PLUMBING. He's learned much about this trade and working with others. He's also saying goodbye to a small group of seasoned men that he meets with for Bible study on Tuesday nights.

ZACH just returned from a trip to Hungary with ROTC cadets from across the country. He connected with another believer in the HDF (Hungarian Defense Force) early in his trip. They were able to encourage each other in their faith!

TIM is in Hawaii! Stacy and I had an opportunity (thanks to some Southwest vouchers and a companion pass) to visit him for most of a week. He has leased a house and purchased a second car. It's a great adventure as he prepares to get married in about 30 days and bring his new bride to HI to start their lives together. As we talked about this adventure, he commented that the work he's doing made him think about Jesus preparing for his bride, the church. I love how God gives us new perspectives on His love for us!

We are thankful for your prayers for Noble Warriors and our family. God continues to amaze us with his provision and grace!

FAMILY UPDATE

