

# Charlotte Worklife Ministry Network

*Working Together for Workplace Transformation*

## Purpose

The Charlotte Worklife Ministry Network is a collaboration between local business and civic leaders, church leaders, and workplace ministries to encourage; 1) the value of work as a calling, 2) the increase of faith and work integration, 3) personal and community transformation in Charlotte.

## Objectives

To provide an environment for local leaders to work together toward personal & community transformation by:

1. *Encouraging the value of work calling (the value of the work itself & the ministry opportunities it provides).*
2. *Increasing awareness of (and participation in) worklife ministries in Charlotte.*
3. *Increasing awareness of (and participation in) the Charlotte Awake city reaching network.*

## Desired Outcomes

By working together with leaders, churches and ministries in Charlotte, we desire to see growth in the:

- # of Pastors in Charlotte who have committed to encourage involvement in worklife ministry
- # of workplace leaders who desire to help meet these objectives
- # of City Influencers (key business & community leaders) who desire to help meet these objectives
- # of Worklife Small Groups in Charlotte that are training, equipping, and encouraging believers
- # of Businesses that employ a workplace chaplain
- # of lives being transformed through the recognition of the power of Jesus Christ in their worklife
- # of churches involved in the Charlotte Awake network, as it cultivates a collaborative environment
- # of improving social indicators in Charlotte that reflect signs of community transformation
- # of public indications that give glory and gratitude to God for transformation in Charlotte

## A significant disconnect has occurred

Many Christians in the workplace (at all levels of leadership) feel like second class citizens when compared to full-time ministers. Many see little or no spiritual purpose for their work life. They live a compartmentalized faith content to unplug and coast through a spiritually neutral work week. They have a growing discontent with this disconnect.

## A significant response is required

God has called the Church to work together to disciple, equip, and mobilize His people, including their work life. He has designed and gifted various parts of the Body so it can affirm people's role in the greater story He is telling and help them steward the personal ministry opportunities their vocational lives bring them on a daily basis.

## Significant transformation is possible

If Christians in the workplace were plotted on a map, we would quickly realize our significant presence in the community – an opportunity for transformation. Unfortunately, most of these people feel disconnected from the Church at the very point of their greatest opportunity for impact: their work. The sum total of this influence represents a significant opportunity to grow churches and reclaim influence in our community.

## Worklife Ministries Involved

- Billy Graham Evangelistic Association
- Campus Crusade for Christ
- Christian Businessmen's Connection (CBMC)
- Charlotte Christian Chamber of Commerce
- Corporate Chaplains of America
- Fellowship of Companies for Christ (FCCI)
- Grace Leadership Network
- His Church at Work
- Marketplace Chaplains
- Priority Associates
- Women's Initiative Network
- and a growing list of others