A PROVEN TRACK RECORD

IPM has placed experienced, trained and proven interim pastors in over 1,200 churches since our formation in 1990. We reach across America, serving a wide range of evangelical denominations and independent churches of all sizes. The goals are simple: help those congregations we serve change the trajectory of their church both now and for years to come – and then pass the baton to the next permanent pastor.

“I have been blessed to have been placed by IPM in a number of churches in various regions of the country. All have greatly appreciated the experience and wisdom of someone who can help them make necessary changes before calling a new pastor.”

David Jenkins, Palm Springs, CA
IPM Member and Seven-Time Interim Pastor

“Thank you for providing our church with an interim pastor. With his help, our church is the healthiest state it has ever been in. We highly recommend IPM to any church in it’s time of pastoral transition”

Journey Bible Church
San Angelo, TX

STRENGTHENING CHURCHES DURING PASTORAL TRANSITION FOR GREATER EFFECTIVENESS

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THE FOUR KEY COMPONENTS
IPM BRINGS A MULTI-FACETED APPROACH TO SUCCESSFUL INTERIM MINISTRY

ORGANIZATIONAL STRENGTH
IPM is a unique, time-tested ministry with a national reputation and exposure. We were formed in 1990 when six District Superintendents of the Evangelical Free Church of America (EFCA) sought a better way to handle pastoral transitions. Since then we've expanded beyond our roots to serve many denominations coast-to-coast. We are a team of people working together; connected to our interims in the field and the church leaders with whom we partner. Anchored by a home office, IPM's leadership team provides direction, vision, oversight, strategic planning, marketing, communications, coaching, accounting/bookkeeping and administrative support.

EXPERIENCED PASTORS
We supply interim pastors with 15-35 years of pastoral experience, longevity of service and college and seminary training. We seek membership candidates that bring the maturity, wisdom and seasoning that comes from guiding congregations through all types of situations. Learn more about our training opportunities and membership process by emailing todd@interimpastors.com.

TRAINING & COACHING
IPM puts a lot of emphasis on training. ‘Introduction to Interim Ministry’ training on our 5-Stage Intentional Process must be completed prior to membership. We equip our interims with a toolkit and resources to successfully process a church through a transition. There are additional continuing education opportunities including our annual Summit, which features national keynote speakers and workshop leaders. Coaching is our quality control piece. Each IPM interim leading a church through the Intentional Process is assigned a coach - our most experienced and accomplished interims - to help guide them through the process.

CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS
From the outset, IPM has understood and cultivated positive relationships with denominational district superintendents and executive ministers -- seeking to strengthen ties between the churches we serve and the denomination. Today we serve a wide variety of evangelical denominations and independent churches with congregations of all sizes. We serve churches that are quite healthy and just need a bit of tweaking; we also serve those that are troubled and experiencing conflict. Guiding them through IPM's Intentional Process is top priority. If you seek an interim pastor for your church, or want to know more about the value an intentional interim can bring, email our Executive Director at tom@interimpastors.com or call 800-501-7117.

PASTORAL TRANSITIONS ARE A TIPPING POINT
THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A CHURCH TO A NEW LEVEL IS DURING A PASTORAL TRANSITION.

Wise congregations recognize the value of having a skilled interim pastor guide them through transition periods. Our interims bring experience, wisdom and guidance to all churches, especially those that have plateaued or are in decline.

IPM SUPPLIES TWO TYPES OF INTERIMS

Traditional Interim Pastors & Functions:
- Preach and Teach
- Plan and Lead Services
- Work with Leadership and Staff
- Church Administration
- Pastoral Care and Visitation

IN ADDITION TO THE FUNCTIONS ABOVE, IPM ALSO PROVIDES:

Intentional Interim Pastors & Functions:
- Identify Pertinent Issues and Assess Overall Church Health
- Lead a Transition Team
- Affirm the Church’s Strengths
- Address Church Issues
- Clarify the Church’s Mission, Vision and Values
- Facilitate Actions that will Strengthen the Church
- Coach the Pastor Search Team
- Prepare the Church for its New Pastor

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