

# How To Get Involved

## Aspen Tree Ministries

### Opportunity of Support

I wish to make a donation to Aspen Tree Ministries in support of its efforts to undergird ministries and individuals with a root system that will facilitate growth and effectiveness in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. My gift will be used to provide scholarships for pastors, pastors' spouses, or other Christian ministry leaders to receive Spiritual Direction, Coaching, Inner Healing, or Freedom Encounter Deliverance, and for pastors to participate in the Pastors of Excellence program.

Amount of Donation: \$ _____ Date: _____
Donor's Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
E-mail: _____
Phone: _____
Home Church: _____

Please make your check payable to:  
**Aspen Tree Ministries**  
**P.O. Box 293270, Nashville, TN 37229**

# What We Believe

- We believe in God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth.
- We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who lived and died for the redemption of the world, and who is now seated at the right hand of God the Father, and who intercedes on our behalf.
- We believe in the grace of God through the redemptive act of Jesus Christ as the sole criteria for the forgiveness of sins which leads to the promise of salvation and the hope of eternity in heaven.
- We believe in the Holy Spirit who dwells in the believer's life, empowering the same to witness, bear fruit, and to live a life worthy of the calling.
- We believe in the exercise of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, in decency and order.
- We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, and it is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.
- We believe that the Church is the Body of Christ, and that being fully engaged in the life and ministry of the local church is important in the believer's life.
- We believe that acts of social justice and ministry will be grounded in the evangelistic command of the Great Commission, to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

# Why We Are Here

## Aspen Tree Ministries

### Our Purpose and Mission:

**To undergird ministries and individuals with a root system that will facilitate growth and effectiveness in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

- To provide teaching, preaching, spiritual direction and ministries which will open the door to faith and deepen spiritual roots so as to facilitate growth as disciples of Jesus Christ.
- To plan and organize ministry events that will give honor and glory to God, while setting people free of brokenness and bondage to sin so that they may become all that God has created them to be through Jesus Christ.
- To publish materials and produce resources that will undergird persons with the necessary spiritual tools and encouragement to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.
- To provide financial undergirding to individuals and ministries around the world which are fulfilling the purpose of Aspen Tree Ministries.

## Aspen Tree Ministries

**Growing Disciples Together!**

**AspenTreeMinistries.org**  
**Info@AspenTreeMinistries.org**  
**Call (615) 504-0021**

# Why We Exist

## The Challenges of Ministry

The wounds of ministry are taking a toll upon both congregations and pastors. It has been estimated that 1500 pastors leave the ministry in the United States each month due to moral failure, spiritual burnout, or contention within their congregations. Others stay within their denominational system, shifting into survival mode, which sets the stage for pastoral ineffectiveness and a maintenance mode of operation. The passion for ministry is gone, and the mission of the church is compromised.



Other national data on the state of pastors further paints a picture of brokenness and burnout:

-  **70% of pastors do not have a close friend, confidant, or mentor**
-  **Two-thirds say their congregation has been in conflict in the past 2 years**
-  **80% of pastors' spouses wish their spouse would choose another profession**

(Statistics taken from Dr. Paul Johnson-Vision New England)

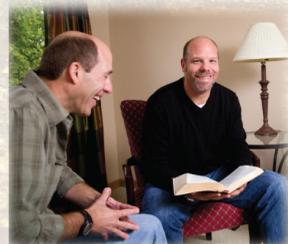


# We Are Here To Help

## The Good News

While we often hear about clergy ineffectiveness in the Church, the reality is that clergy often just get stuck in the demands of their profession.

The good news is that there is help and hope for pastors, their spouses and other Christian leaders to experience incredible transformation by accessing the power of God for deep change in their lives.



Christian Coaching provides an approach to personal and/or church transformation by giving support, inspiration, and challenge in the process of growth and change.

Spiritual Direction assists people to understand and align with the processes God is using to make them more like Jesus.

Inner Healing and Freedom Encounter Deliverance positions people before the Lord Jesus Christ so that they are empowered to experience spiritual, mental, emotional, and physical healing.



# We Are Here To Help

## You Can Make a Difference!



You have the opportunity to provide this kind of life-giving support to pastors, pastors' spouses, and other Christian ministry leaders by making a donation through Aspen Tree Ministries. We have partnered with Living Water, LLC to provide these services. More information on these services can be found at [www.livingh2oministries.com](http://www.livingh2oministries.com).

Another transformational opportunity of support which ATM is providing pastors is Pastors of Excellence (PoE). This is a 13-month, small and large group ministry experience with other pastors. PoE is a ministry of Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland, Ohio, with sites in Tennessee, Ohio and other locations. Graduate credits can be earned with special arrangements through Ashland Theological Seminary. More information with tuition costs can be found at [www.pastorsofexcellence.com](http://www.pastorsofexcellence.com).



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 13 month transformational program specifically designed to revitalize pastors.  
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# Why Aspen Trees?

## Growing Disciples Together!

An Aspen tree grove is an amazing creation of God's divine design. While what is visible above ground is a unique and beautiful specimen of trees, with their tall, slender trunks and shimmering leaves, what is underground is that which makes the Aspen tree most unique. An Aspen grove is actually one single living organism connected through its underground root system. Imagine that!



Much like an Aspen tree grove, the Body of Christ is one continuous living organism, connected to our

Source, who is Jesus Christ. Aspen Tree Ministries claims the imagery of an Aspen tree grove, as we strive to undergird individuals and ministries with a root system which will enable them to sprout and grow effective ministries in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Pastors, pastors' spouses, and other Christian ministry leaders are encouraged to apply for a scholarship to receive any of these life transformational services by contacting Aspen Tree Ministries.