

Partners in Ministry Fulfilling Christ's Mission in the World



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It would be hard to come up with a more apt name for the Partners in Ministry offering than the one that it already has. Serving ABCOPAD as the Geographic Pastoral Servant for the NW, I've had many an opportunity to partner with the pastors and churches in my area for the purpose of supporting ministry. When our area churches give to this offering it isn't so that ABCOPAD can do ministry for the church, that is, instead of the church so it doesn't have to, but the much more Kingdom of God edifying purpose of ABCOPAD doing ministry **alongside** the local church.

January of 2025 was my second opportunity to teach Baptist History and Polity for the ACTS program, ACTS being another great example of ABCOPAD's mission to empower the local church's own ministry by training lay leaders.



In the class, we discuss both how the Baptists story began and grew, as well as how Baptist have handled questions of church governance. In both cases, the emphasis is necessarily upon the primary role of the local church body. We have always been followers of Jesus who believe that while associational, regional, and denominational work is a key part of who we are, it will always be the ministry occurring in our local churches that define us.

With that in mind, I know I can speak for the entirety of ABCOPAD's staff when I say to our churches, "Thank you for supporting our effort to partner with you in ministry."

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