

## **Justin Taylor**

The Elders recommend to the Church that Justin Taylor be called as our new Worship Pastor. Justin completed his education at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary where he received a Master of Arts. Currently, Justin is serving as Worship Pastor for New City Church. In this role, Justin is not only responsible for preparing and leading weekly worship services but has been instrumental in the leadership and administrative areas of the church. He has preached in regular rotations for the various campuses of New City, recruited, coached and discipled new volunteers and leaders and has been involved in the congregational care of the church.

Prior to New City, Justin worked as the Outreach Pastor for Grace Covenant Church. With the combined effort of Grace Covenant Church, Carmel and Church at Charlotte, Justin was able to share the gospel in the South End district of Charlotte through weekly worship services. He also implemented policy and procedures for the worship ministry team.

Justin started his pastoral career with Carmel as College & Young Adult Pastor in which he served almost five years. During this time, he was responsible for the college and young adult ministry where he facilitated weekly Bible studies and discipled students. While at Carmel, Justin championed an anti-human trafficking ministry which connected the Carmel family with local and international partnerships with freedom ministries.

Justin has a very extensive musical background. He has written, recorded and produced albums, toured nationally and internationally and received numerous awards for his songwriting ability. Justin enjoys using his God-given musical ability to lead and share the gospel with others.

Justin and his wife, Amber, have 3 boys, Colin(8), Caleb(5), and Corbin(3) and live in Matthews. You can meet Justin Sunday, November 17th at 12:30 PM in the Student Center Auditorium.



## **David Bass**

The Elders recommend to the church that David Bass be called as our new Executive Pastor. David received a Bachelor of Industrial Design from the School of Design at NC State University. He also received his Master of Divinity in International Church Planting from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

David is currently serving as Global Outreach Pastor here at Carmel Church. This entails helping Carmel come alongside the global church to accomplish the Great Commission. More specifically, his responsibilities include refining Carmel's missional principles, identifying potential global partners and missionaries, overseeing the deployment of the short-term trips, and training and equipping team leaders so they can lead effectively. David also oversees the Prayer Ministry at Carmel. This altar prayer team consists of 70 plus members and is designed to help foster a culture of prayer at Carmel.

Prior to his role at Carmel, David served in various capacities with the International Mission Board. As Team Leader Trainer, he facilitated an interactive, training intensive for missionary team leaders who served in countries throughout Central Asia. In his role as Team Strategy Leader, David developed and implemented comprehensive church planting strategies for reaching the lost in this region of the world. David also had the privilege of serving as a Pioneer Church Planter for 14 years. During this time, he was able to share the gospel and make disciples among Muslims in one of the least-reached countries on earth. While there, David had the opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors for Broad Gospel Sowing Follow-up. He was also able to follow up with individuals that had responded to newspaper and internet ads requesting information about Christ.

David grew up in Greensboro, NC and married his high school sweetheart, Tiffany. They have been married twenty-one years. They have four daughters and one son, ages ten to nineteen. You can meet David Sunday, November 17th after each of our services in the Gathering Space near the Welcome Center.