

JOHN GIBBS TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF ADULT MENTORING

The board has asked one of our mentors, John Gibbs, of Atlanta Georgia, to serve as director of adult mentoring.

When we founded Christian Mentors in 2004 the vision was to connect fatherless children with Godly, pre-screened adult role models. Since that time God has blessed this ministry in matching hundreds of children with mentors along with development of a technology for starting mentoring programs and, most recently, a free online tool for orphanages to raise funds and create long distance mentoring relationships via a Sponsor a Child program.

What we did not anticipate in the initial stages was the large number of adults that would also find their way to us in search of mentors. Despite a desire to help we felt there was little we could do to help the hundreds of adults asking us for help. In the process of developing the application for youth mentoring programs we discovered that the same technology, with small changes, could give us the incredible opportunity to assist adults in finding each other online for mentoring, accountability and friendship (something like an E-Harmony for discipleship / mentoring). After launching this application God has connected so many of you through this tool and increased our visibility as a organization that can help adults as well as children. Type in Christian Mentoring on Yahoo and Christian Mentors appears as number one on the list!

Like many of us, John initially became convinced of the critical need for mentoring through his own search for spiritual and practical leadership, so he is aware of the needs that mentors have for their own lives as well as for those they are helping to mature. He has worked to develop biblical approaches to mentoring that bring solid life changes for those being mentored as well as a satisfying experience for the mentors.

We look forward to seeing what God will do in the future with adult mentoring under John's leadership!

Brian Bovee
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