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### H. Dale Burke, Th.M, D.Div

Armed with 30+ years of experience leading a wide variety of types and sizes of churches from church-plant to mega-church, from new and innovative to those steeped in tradition, and from those in need of recovery to those that are healthy but want to thrive.

God has uniquely prepared
Dale to help other pastors and
leaders and he openly shares his
lessons learned from his mistakes as
well as his successes.

Biblical truth, clarity, enthusiasm, relevance and a touch of humor characterize Dale's engaging teaching style as he addresses the practical issues of life and leadership.

Dale has authored 4 books including the award-winning How to Lead and Still Have a Life. He equips the next generation of leaders via his organization, Leverage Leadership, and teaching as adjunct faculty at two prominent seminaries. He continues to pastor at Seacoast Church in Encinitas, CA

where he resides with his wife of nearly 40 years.

### Meet Dale

- Founder of Leverage Leadership
- Senior Pastor, Seacoast Church
- Adjunct Faculty, Dallas
   Theological Seminar / Western
   Seminary
- Author of <u>How To Lead and Still</u> <u>Have a Life</u> and more...

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Honorary Doctor of Divinity (D. Div), Biola University

Master of Theology (Th.M), Dallas Theological Seminary

B.A. in Speech Communications, Marshall University

#### Books:

How to Lead and Still Have a Life: The 8 Secrets of Less Is More Leadership

(Gold Medallion Award Finalist in 2005), Harvest House Publishing, 2004, 2005.

Take Back Your Life! Harvest House Publishing, 2007

Different By Design Moody Publishing, 2000

Love That Never Fails Moody Publishing, 1999

#### Other:

Dale has published numerous articles in Leadership Journal, Christianity Today, Outcomes, Marriage Partnership, REV!, Christian Leadership Alliance, Christian Management Association, and more...



### **Broad Pastoral Ministry**

Dale's pastoral ministry began in a small church plant in Oxford, Ohio after graduating from Dallas Theological Seminary. Being a church plant, he had the freedom to be creative; "anything goes!" In 1989, Dale moved his family to California to pastor Grace Bible Church, an established church steeped in tradition and in need of fresh vision. Dale ushered in a paradigm shift with fresh initiatives in worship, discipleship and outreach. The congregation grew from 550 to 1,400 during Dale's tenure.

From 1995 to 2010, Dale served as Senior Pastor of the First Evangelical Free Church of Fullerton, CA, a healthy 6,000- member mega-church on the

national stage. Currently, Dale serves as Senior Pastor in a smaller community church, Seacoast Church in Encinitas, CA. He is leading the congregation through an exciting season of recovery and revitalization.

## Focused Leadership Development

Leveraging his unique mix of ministry experiences, Dale founded Leverage Leadership in 2012 to better equip, encourage and train other pastors and leaders with the goal of increasing both the effectiveness of their ministries and the joy in their lives.

Dale has been carrying out this mission since 2003, when he began teaching seminars to pastors and leaders on the importance of leading and living well to God's glory. The following year he consolidated his teachings into an award-winning book, How to Lead and Still Have a Life, Harvest House Publishers, 2004 (first published as Less Is More Leadership).

For over 10 years, Dale has been speaking at conferences, teaching seminars, serving as a mentor pastor and leading staff development days for churches, denominations and organizations in the US and abroad. His coaching has been a source of nourishment across cultures as diverse as Denmark and Rwanda, Morocco and Brazil. He formed Leverage Leadership to formalize and accelerate this long-standing ministry and investment in the next generation of Christian leaders.