

Dave Lunsford
Biographical Sketch

Dave Lunsford came to faith in Christ in early childhood and was raised in Baptist churches pastored by his father. He attended Corban University (then Western Baptist College) in Salem, Oregon where he met and married Sue Marsh in 1977. In 1978 Dave became the youth and music pastor of the Nooksack Valley Baptist Church (now Christ Fellowship). During the five and half years in Nooksack three children added to Dave and Sue's family. Their children are now married and serving the Lord in their respective churches and caring for their own children.

The Lunsford's also served the Lord in Boardman, Oregon; Tukwila, Washington; and in Ferndale, Washington. Over 38 years of pastoral ministry they also enjoyed serving together at camps and conferences and in several foreign countries in ministry to both missionaries and nationals.

Along with church ministry Dave has served as a volunteer fire fighter/EMT, a reserve police officer, and chaplain to various fire and police agencies most recently serving as the Chaplain Director for the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office. Dave served on many ministry leadership boards and is a Certified Biblical Counselor (ACBC). Dave holds degrees from Corban University and Baptist Bible Seminary in Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania where he is currently working toward a Doctor of Ministry degree.

Dave was called to his current role of **Executive Director with the Baptist Network Northwest in 2016**. This group of 70 churches works together to encourage and equip one another and extend their ministries by working together throughout Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

In 2020 after a 25-month battle with a rare form of lymphoma Sue was called home to be with the Lord. In God's grace he led Dave together with Darlene Delaney, whose husband had been with the Lord

for several years. They were wed on February 6th, 2021. Dave and Darlene met when they were teen-age workers at Camp Gilead and graduated from Western Baptist Bible College (Corbin University) in 1977. Darlene was active in several local churches and along with her first husband, served children through foster care for 30 years.

