



2020 FALL SEMESTER - TRAINER BIO'S

Al Buchweitz

Never heard of Al?

Al is VP of Growth at ElementalChurches.com, a group that consults church leadership teams.

He's done everything from youth ministry to planting churches to serving on church exec teams to Fortune 100 business development, to inventing products and founding a sports/outdoors equipment company.

He loves gently leading people into practical use of gifts of the Spirit... with elfin mirth.

Al and Stephanie have seven children, three son-in-laws, and a dog named Jack!

Dana Cochran

Never heard of Dana?

Dana saw first hand what the LORD did through the "Vineyard Movement" in California and Cincinnati in the 70s/80s. She's seen some action!

She has served on pastoral church staffs for over 30 years.

Loves teaching anybody about walking in the Spirit and moving in His power.

Dana is hungry to see the church fully equipped to bring the Kingdom of God to our cities and nation.

Jason and Kristin Scott

Never heard of the Scotts?

They are "all in" people who love living naturally supernatural and want to give others tools to create a similar lifestyle.

Jason and Kristin are the founders of Activation Ministries where they equip and activate fellow believers, pray prophetically for individuals, families, groups, and businesses, and help others experience Jesus.

They live with their two kids in Loveland and are not open to having ANY pets.

These two are light, approachable, and fun!

Steven Manuel

Never heard of Steve?

He's been on the Crossroads staff for over 17 years, serving as worship leader, site producer, discipleship director, content producer, and finally director of ministry training.

He has a heart for making disciples, and has been doing so for 25 years, meeting with men in small, life-on-life settings.

Steve is an incurable entrepreneur, maintaining 3 businesses (in addition to being part-time at Crossroads now) and is the founder of Jump School.

Steve has particular passion around worship, spiritual gifts, discipleship, and revival.

Kelly Russell

Never heard of Kelly?

Wife, mom, foster mom, teacher, writer, editor, Kelly has been married to David Russell for a hundred years. They have three children and one dog.

Kelly co-led Women's Healing and Deliverance (the precursor to Critical Skills) for five years, witnessing several hundred women break out of binding strongholds and find new freedom in their identities and relationship with Jesus. She loved it.

She has worked for Crossroads Church in some capacity for sixteen years, including co-creation and collaboration of several Crossroads journeys, small group curriculums, and Crossroads' (now defunct) INSIGHT magazine.

Walter Witham

Never heard of Walt?

A zealous student of Kingdom principles and all God's ways, Walt has been ministering powerfully in Jesus' name for over 35 years.

The LORD has taken him from the California Jesus People movement, where he was born again, to Baptist churches, Messianic Jewish temples, Vineyard Churches, and house groups. He's been around.

Walt is a worship leader, discipler, auctioneer, online instructor, and general roustabout.

He's self described as "0 for 1 in raising the dead... but looking for my next opportunity"!

Matt Heinbaugh

Never heard of Matt?

He trained and worked as a pastor in Las Vegas, and has planted 3 churches.

He's spoken 1000+ times across the country and trained 100s of leaders.

He advises local pastors in Cincinnati.

More than anything, Matt wants to bring the Kingdom of God and empower people like you to live in faith.

Illya Thomas

Never heard of Illya?

Illya is the Director for Spiritual Growth and leads the Site Support team for Crossroads.

He's married and a semi-cool dad of 2 teenage daughters.

He is an alum of Purdue Engineering, P&G, Cincinnati Christian University and the Baptist church.

He serves on the Wyoming (OH) City Schools Board of Education and the Board of Citylink because he doesn't have enough to do.

Colin Willis

Never heard of Colin?

Having moved from Cincinnati last year, Colin lives in Lexington, KY with his wife and 3 children.

Colin is ambitious and creative, as an entrepreneur and software developer, he's constantly on the lookout for the "leading edge" of what God's doing in the Kingdom.

He has a passion for prayer and equipping others in every possible way- a disciplemaker to the bone.

As any of his past students can attest, Colin is "high challenge" ...and high on adventure of every kind (which is why he's kind of perfect for us)!

Scott Dill

Never heard of Scott?

Starting his ministry career in Crossroads facilities, he's now the director of pastoral care for all of Crossroads.

Scott has a heart for "outsiders" and those who feel far from God religiously, sexually, emotionally, or WHATEVER.

Scott is patient, kind, open, easygoing, and a PLEASURE to be around!

Robbie Reider

Never heard of Robbie?

He was the main worship leader at Crossroads Cincinnati for 7 years.

He has been directing all CR music for 4 years.

He's been a songwriter for 30 years and has many published songs.