



# Lee Blattner

Senior Pastor

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## Education

Master of Divinity  
Evangelism & Discipleship  
High Honors  
Talbot School of Theology  
Biola University

Biblical Communications  
CrossTalk Global

## Summary

Bible-centered preacher and seasoned ministry leader with a passion for transforming lives through impactful expository sermons. Experienced in equipping lay leaders, fostering spiritual growth, and providing compassionate pastoral care. Proven ability to lead in wide-ranging ministry contexts, from overseeing multimillion-dollar initiatives to establishing local partnerships. Seeking a senior pastor role to inspire and disciple a growing congregation while advancing a vision for local and global ministry impact.

## Experience

### Friends Church Eastvale (280+)

2023-Present

#### *Preaching Team Member*

Delivered *Big Idea* expository sermons and supported the senior pastor in crafting sermon content, including identifying the big idea, developing illustrations, managing narrative tension, and story shaping.

#### *Pastoral Resident*

Delivered *Big Idea* expository sermons during a period of significant growth for this fast-growing church plant. Provided end-of-life pastoral care, created small group leadership training, and facilitated prayer team meetings.

### CrossTalk Global

2023-Present

#### *Board Member & Treasurer*

Played a key role in establishing CrossTalk's partnership with Providence University and Theological Seminary, enabling CrossTalk students to earn an accredited MA in Biblical Communications. Worked in the Moldovan cohort over three years, with students from Romania, Moldova, and Ukraine. Led grant application efforts to secure funding to expand and maximize CrossTalk's reach and impact across international communities. Coaching a cohort of pastors from various Southern California churches in preaching.

### TBF Foundation

2018-Present

#### *Chief Executive Officer*

Funded high return on investment ministries through our multimillion-dollar portfolio. Worked along side key ministry partners to maximize their impact.

### Inland Hills Church (3000+)

2006-2019

#### *Christian Entrepreneurs Group Leader*

Led a group of businessmen through navigating the challenges of reflecting Christ in their business lives. Created an 18-week series designed to grow these leaders spiritually and professionally.

#### *Southeast Asia Missions Opportunity Adviser*

Advised senior staff on short-term mission opportunities in Southeast Asia, leveraging field research with OMF and Wycliffe, including site visits and meetings with missionaries, senior OMF staff, and unreached communities.

#### *Small Group Leader for Men*

Led a diverse group of 12 men (ages late 20s to 70s) through application-driven Bible studies, community outreach, and deep, life-on-life fellowship. Created custom curricula that fostered vulnerability, encouraged mutual support, and cultivated spiritual growth through shared burdens and honest conversation.



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## Skills

- Expository Preaching
- Small Group Multiplication & Leadership Development
- Hebrew & Greek
- Team Building
- Organizational Growth & Management
- Vision Casting
- Disciple Building & Spiritual Formation

## Links

- [Sample Sermons](#)
- [Beliefs](#)

## Experience

### *Service Director*

Led and coordinated cross-functional production teams, including FOH engineers, media operators (ProPresenter), lighting technicians, and live video synchronization across multiple venues. Oversaw all aspects of the acoustic venue's worship experience. Designed and implemented streamlined systems, recruited and mentored staff and volunteers, and cultivated a high-performance culture committed to delivering consistently exceptional services.

### *Small Group Leader for Married Couples*

Grew a small group of married couples from 10 to 24 members, fostering a Christ-centered community marked by deep connection, spiritual growth, and lasting relationships. Developed and led Bible study curricula tailored to marriage, parenting, and discipleship. Fostered authentic conversations and meaningful relationships through shared experiences—group camping trips, meals, and walking together through life's challenges.

### *Ascend Software, Inc.*

#### *Chief Executive Officer and Founder*

Grew Ascend from a small self-funded start-up to a multi-national software company with operations throughout Europe, North America, and Australia. SaaS annual growth rate was 55% with a backlog revenue growth rate of 228%. Negotiated and sold to a private equity group in 2018, unlocking the time and capital needed to devote to ministry.



## Hobbies

I enjoy music and often unwind by playing guitar or piano. I'm an avid reader, mostly nonfiction, but I appreciate a well-crafted story. I enjoy research, meaningful conversations, and building relationships. Some of my favorite moments are spent with my family, whether relaxing with my wife and kids or matching competitive wits with my in-laws over a backyard game. I also enjoy hiking and volleyball when time permits.