

# Ron Clark, DMin

Adjunct Faculty

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We moved from Missouri to Oregon in 1997 when I accepted the preaching position for a large congregation in Gresham, OR. I was invited to teach at George Fox Evangelical Seminary (now Portland Seminary) in 2006. My recent publication on domestic abuse and the church was sought as a resource for teaching Advanced Pastoral Counseling, and later Pastoral Counseling. I have been a minister in the churches of Christ for 33 years and in 2007 led a church plant to downtown Portland. My wife and I lead this ministry, which partners with community agencies in Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence, Sex Trafficking, and Houselessness. I have taught at Cascade College, Mt. Hood Community College, and Portland Seminary. I am currently a co-chair for our SBL and AAR Pacific Northwest Region in the New Testament and World of Early Christianity.



## Academic Background

- DMin, Harding School of Theology (Memphis)
- MDiv, Harding School of Theology
- BA, Biology and Chemistry, University of Missouri Central (Warrensburg)

## Expertise and Interests

As a minister and academician, I work with teams and schools to integrate theology with practical ministry so that congregants, community individuals, and scholars can work together to offer Shalom to their communities and themselves.

I have conducted IPV and SA trainings locally, nationally, and in South America, Africa, and Albania. I have been trained both as an advocate for batterers and victims, and as an expert witness for Multnomah County. Through this, we have trained over 2,000 individuals in faith-based intervention and support services.

I work with local agencies in building homeless villages in Portland and the surrounding area.

For more information on publications, articles, presentations, interviews, and other professional work, visit my author page ([www.agapecoc.com/ron-clark](http://www.agapecoc.com/ron-clark))

## Outside the Classroom

Lori and I were married in 1987 and have three sons. When we are not hanging out together or attending school or work events for our sons, we enjoy cooking, camping, or hiking. We like cooking for people and often have parties in our neighborhood, for our church, or with our boys' school or work events. To learn tolerance, I enjoy refereeing high school wrestling and cheering on the Oregon Ducks, Seahawks, and Kansas City Chiefs.