

Statement of Support and Appreciation for Rev. Dr. Ron Hamilton
from the Board of Directors of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference

To be read to the Delegates in Assembly

August 5, 2025

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with deep gratitude and sincere affection that we, the Board of Directors of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (CCCC), rise today to honor our beloved brother and leader, the Rev. Dr. Ronald Hamilton, upon the occasion of his retirement. “Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor...” (1 Timothy 5:17a)

For 55 years, Pastor Ron has served faithfully in gospel ministry—four of those years as a staff member of the CCCC and 14 years as our conference minister. As a church planter, Pastor, Director of Church Multiplication, and as our Conference Minister, Ron has led with uncompromising integrity and bold spiritual vision. He has guided our Conference through many daunting challenges and helped us pursue new Kingdom opportunities with a steady hand and Christ-centered heart. His commitment to the authority of Scripture, biblical Congregationalism, the proclamation of the gospel, healthy pastors and churches, and the spiritual unity of the Body of Christ has clearly marked his life and ministry and inspired those he served.

Under Ron’s leadership, the CCCC has grown in both depth and breadth. By the guidance of Holy Spirit, Ron clarified and prioritized church multiplication, church development, and conference care, and led us in articulating the guiding values that make those priorities a practical reality.

Ron’s unique ability to cast vision and remain faithful in prayer and humility has left a lasting imprint on pastors and churches across the nation and world. Though his accomplishments are vast, his true legacy is the countless lives changed and strengthened by his encouragement and faithful example. Through seasons of growth, challenge, and change, he has stood as a steady and faithful shepherd, leading not with the heavy hand of control, but with the heart of Christ—gentle, wise, and enduring in love.

His life and leadership have been marked by Christian character of the highest order. In an age when integrity is increasingly rare, he has remained spotless in conduct and above reproach. We have known him to be a man of prayer, a lover of Scripture, a peacemaker, and a servant; and he has exhorted us to be the same. His warm and patient demeanor has brought healing in moments of tension, clarity in times of confusion, and unity where division was threatened.

As an entire Board, we unequivocally reject in the strongest possible terms any suggestion—spoken or implied—that questions Pastor Ron’s competence or character. Such accusations are not only baseless and unjust, but false, cruel and diabolical in nature, contrary to the spirit of Christ and the fellowship we cherish. The fruit of his life and ministry stands as a living rebuttal to all such attacks.

To our retiring Conference Minister, Rev. Dr. Ron Hamilton, we say: Well done, good and faithful servant. Your leadership has left an indelible mark on this Conference and on each of us who have had the privilege of walking beside you. We bless you as you enter this new season of life and ministry, confident that the Lord who called you all those years ago will continue to guide your steps.

We invite the delegates here assembled to join us in offering their thanks, their prayers, and their love to Rev. Dr. Ronald Hamilton and his wife, Shirley, and their precious family, for a legacy of faithfulness that will long endure.

“Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.” (Heb. 13:7 ESV)

In Christ’s abiding love,

The Board of Directors

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