Dr. H. Ben Bohren

Over those 54 years of ministry, Ben has served:

- * 8 years as Regional Minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Northern CA-NV
- * 8 years as the Director of Church Relations for the Disciples National Benevolent Association
- * 10 years as Director of Church Relations at Chapman University
- * 20 years in pastoral ministry as senior minister at:

First Christian Church, Orange, CA; First Christian Church, Lebanon, KY; Wintergreen and Beech Grove Christian Churches, Nelson County, VA.

One of Ben's greatest ministry passions has been working with youth and young adults. He has counseled camps, keynoted retreats and youth conventions in nearly 30 states. At Chapman he helped build the Disciples of Campus program to over 110 members, including financial support for their education.

Ben retired to Palm Springs eight years ago and holds dual membership at Redlands United Church of Christ and First Christian Church, North Hollywood.

In retirement, Ben continues ministry as a Mission Specialist Consultant for the National Benevolent Association's young adult internships. Ben helped create and launch the program known as "Xplor" and is now the key recruiter for the program. <u>http://www.nbacares.org/xplor</u>. In those 8 years he has been the primary recruitment staff for close to 100 young adults, from mostly the United States, but also Canada, Palestine, and Nigeria. Ben continues to serve on the Disciples Board of Higher Education Leadership Ministries (HELM), the Executive Committee and Board of the Disciples Seminary Foundation.