



# One-Eighty

*Counseling & Education*

## **A New Way for Churches to Help Equip and Strengthen Their Leaders and Members for Counseling Launches in Louisville**

Louisville, KY (Saturday, June 15, 2013). It is with great excitement and anticipation that we announce the launch of One-Eighty Counseling and Education. One-Eighty will exist to counsel those in need and train local church members in the Kentuckiana region and beyond. Dr. Stuart Scott, Executive Director along with the strategic work of Rebekah Hannah, as the initial Development Director, and a few likeminded friends, founded the new organization.

According to Dr. Stuart Scott, professor of Biblical Counseling at Southern Seminary and Executive Director of the ministry, there is still interest and need in the Louisville and surrounding area to have counseling training available to church leaders and members. With the complex issues that even believers face today, he receives many calls for counseling and for encouragement and direction in the meeting of needs.

Scott explains that the requests for counseling and training, his own desire to serve the church, and the prodding and assistance of a small group of individuals passionate about the power of God and His Word to change lives, have all played a role in his decision to begin a new ministry named:

### **One-Eighty Counseling and Education**

**Mission:** One-Eighty exists to serve the local church's desire to strengthen and equip membership. We see our role as helping to facilitate gospel-driven, biblical counseling that leads to comprehensive hope and change for the good of God's people, His glory and the advance of His kingdom.

**Vision:** Fully convinced of the sufficiency of God and His Word to change lives, One-Eighty purposes to partner with individual churches to offer practical training, trusted resources, quality biblical counseling, and counseling ministry development – all within a mentorship model that values humility, pastoral oversight, supportive accountability and the help of a church advocate for the counselee.

**Why One-Eighty?** The phrase 180 describes a change in direction – a complete reversal in desires, thinking and behavior. One-Eighty Counseling and Education draws our name from this concept because we believe that a true and lasting 180° change in one's life is possible by a movement of God that only comes through the redemption of Christ and the resources He has provided. These resources are the power of the Holy Spirit, with the Word, in a community of believers – the church, and often with a trusted and knowledgeable counselor who is willing and able to come alongside the hurting.

Interested churches and individuals can start planning to attend One-Eighty's three weekend training module set to begin in August of this year (August 9-10; September 6-7; October 11-12). Anyone wanting to know more about the ministry organization, registration or how they can get involved can visit One-Eighty's website at [www.oneeightycounseling.com](http://www.oneeightycounseling.com). It is the hope of the One-Eighty

organization that donor and/or Church support will make it possible to minister at minimal cost to counselees and counseling training students.

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