

Fellowship Ministries has given birth to the Shepherd's Canyon Retreat ministry....which is now has a home-base called Standing Stones, located 15 miles west of Wickenburg, Arizona.

Please visit www.ShepherdsCanyonRetreat.org and www.StandingStonesAz.org.

THE NEED

20% of pastors are "in crises" which means that they are just coping; just hanging on.

80% of pastors say that the ministry has had a negative impact on their families.

Among Protestant clergy, between 1400 and 1700 quit the ministry every month!



70% of pastors struggle with depression.

94% of pastors feel under pressure to have the “ideal” family.

20% of pastors suffer from long-term stress.

\$64,000,000—the amount that the Southern Baptist denomination paid out in ONE year for stress-related claims; second only to maternity benefits.

13% of active pastors are divorced.

25% don’t know where to turn when they have a family or personal conflict or issue.

23% have been fired or pressured to resign at least once in their careers.

33% felt burned out within their first five years of ministry.

50% feel unable to meet the needs of the job.

56% of pastor’s spouses say that they have no close friends.

80% of pastors say they have insufficient time with their spouse.

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57% of pastors would leave the ministry if they had somewhere else to go or some other vocation they could do.

70% of pastors say that they don't have any close friends.

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