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Ministry Interests and Prospects as of 4/20/17

My ministry time is currently split between GMI (60%) and Fifth Day Ministries (40%), a non-profit of which I am president and sole employee. As of July 1st, I will be working 100% under Fifth Day Ministries, which in effect will make me a free-lance writer, trainer, and consultant, supported mostly by personal and church donors. Grant project funding or other fee-paying work will be sought for 10-20% of my time.

I will be open to collaboration with a variety of agencies and projects, and I will be able to donate my ministry time to some of them. I am forming a new advisory group to help me discern God's will for ministry time allocation, starting with the interests listed below.

The top priority item for me personally is the development of *a discipleship exercise plan* called SYNC, See Yourself in Christ. Web site by May 25th and app by August 7th. Prototype at www.gmi.org/sync. This includes "The Rescuer" story, a summary of the biblical story. www.gmi.org/rescuer.

The *GMI Breakthrough*, *SearchLite*, and *Fellowships* are another high priority. I will be doing some of this type of research coaching on a free-lance basis, but it would be better if one or more organizations collaborate as new owners of some form of these programs.

I am leading a working group at the Honor-Shame Conference at Wheaton in June. My group will look at *honor-shame trends in North American white culture* and the implications this has for white evangelical understanding and communication of the gospel. I expect that some ongoing work will result.

On my drawing board are two other projects that could be huge if partners show enough interest. One focuses on the *oral training of mid-level leaders and grassroots members of Christian movements*, encouraging the trainers as they develop and share their methods. The other encourages *local language discussions of key issues in the contextualization of the Church and its mission*. I'm happy to send the rough draft descriptions of either to potential collaborators.

My files also have 1) *a game (possibly for development as an app)* to reduce biblical illiteracy and 2) *an inter-generational musical play* that is an allegory of the story of Jesus—a cross between the *Narnia Chronicles* and "Joseph and the Dreamcoat". Perhaps the time has come for one or both of these to get more of my attention.

I am a board member of Central Asian Partners and an advisory board member of the Alliance for Vulnerable Mission. These roles will continue. Other projects above are more likely to get my time if they connect with either or both of these groups.

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