The Rise of the Part-Time Worship Leader in the Mid-Size Southern Baptist Church

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Abstract
The purpose of this paper is to explore the prevalence of part-time, bivocational, semi-retired and volunteer worship leaders within mid-size Southern Baptist church and the need for further training and education through a denominationally-driven mentor program. The known decline in attendance and financial giving that most Southern Baptist churches have experienced has affected the moneys available to fill staffing needs and thereby require a reassessment of staff positions; the percentage of the budget allocated for staffing and continuing education. Most of these part-time worship leaders are already educated in another field and cannot allot the resources for a return to a theological or worship leadership education. The research question for this paper is two-part. First, what is the scope of responsibilities for part-time worship leaders within the mid-size Southern Baptist church? Second, what are the educational background commonalities of the part-time worship leader in the mid-size Southern Baptist church, and in what ways can church leadership facilitate professional development for part-time worship leaders within the mid-size Southern Baptist church? A number of surveys were distributed as part of the process of writing this paper addressing education, training, denominational support, hours spent on worship leadership, and general feelings about roles within the church and family. This research was conducted with a dual historical/qualitative approach. Through the results of this study, the denomination can learn how to better support these men and women who may not be fully theologically educated but are just as dedicated to weekly service to the Lord.
displays of religious worship. This discomfort continued through much of his adolescence, initially leading him to decide against entering the ministry, much to his father's dismay. The rising tide of civil rights agitation produced a strong effect on public opinion. Many people in cities not experiencing racial tension began to question the nation's Jim Crow laws and the near-century of second-class treatment of African American citizens. a part of the body or something that belonged to a holy person. Cross (n). an object in the shape of a cross that people were killed on, used as a symbol of Christianity. Cross oneself (v). When Catholics and some other types of Christians cross themselves, they move their hand down and then across their face or chest, making the shape of a cross. a priest in the Church of England who is in charge of a church and the religious needs of people in a particular area. Archbishop (n). a bishop of the highest rank who is in charge of churches and other bishops in a particular large area. Bishop (n). a priest of high rank who is in charge of the priests of lower rank in a particular area. Abbot (n). a religious leader and teacher in the Jewish religion. Convent (n). a building in which nuns live. Monastery (n). Two ideas shaped early Southern Baptist theology more than any others: (1) God the Moral Governor works all things for his glory, and (2) in doing so, he also works for the highest good of his moral universe. While the ideas themselves more. Two ideas shaped early Southern Baptist theology more than any others: (1) God the Moral Governor works all things for his glory, and (2) in doing so, he also works for the highest good of his moral universe. The purpose of this research was to determine the characteristics described in worship leader job descriptions in the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and examine the correspondence of these characteristics with worship leadership degree more. three people were killed in a knife attack at a church in the southern city of Nice. French President Emmanuel Macron called the killings an "Islamist terrorist attack" and deployed thousands of extra soldiers to protect public sites, including places of worship. Shock at Prophet cartoons 'understandable' - Macron. The shooting in Lyon happened at about 16:00 local time (15:00 GMT) on Saturday when the priest was closing his church, officials said. The attacker, who police said was armed with a sawn-off shotgun, fled the scene. The French interior ministry said security and