

Bio – Ron Oastler – Advisor



Ron's background was orthodox Christian – traditional, main-stream and typical of that era. With an Anglican mother and a Presbyterian father, the family only attended church on special occasions such as christenings, weddings and funerals, plus Christmas and Easter. However, at the tender age of six he attended an 'Open Brethren' Church Sunday School, which was his first encounter with the story of the Gospel. Later, the death of his young brother caused the family to seek for answers, ultimately leading him to personally experience the Gospel and was Born-Again, in his mid-teens.

Following his high-school years, Ron studied Science at the University of NSW while working with the CSIRO in Food Research. An industrial accident led to a career change and he subsequently joined the computer industry, working for IBM. Here he held senior management positions in the areas of Technical Service, Public Relations, Sales, Executive Education and Government Relations.

Taking an early retirement, Ron and his wife Norma ran their own Business Training and Consulting Company, specialising in Management and Sales. Their clients included many of the high technology companies in Australia, New Zealand and Asia.

While pursuing his career, Ron joined FGBMFI and served variously as Chapter Secretary, Chapter President, National President and International Director. During this period he also mentored a number of Christian leaders.

While now officially retired from business, he still finds time for occasional consulting assignments and is committed to supporting FGBMFI (Australia) in its current re-vitalisation.

Ron's desire is to see men 'reconciled to God' (2 Cor 5:20) - through the men of the Fellowship rising to the call to 'win and disciple men to God' (Matt 28:19).

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