# JAMES (JAY) CLINE

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# **Professional Summary**

Minister and spiritual leader with a proven track record at Northeast Church of Christ and Vero Beach Church of Christ, excelling in sermon delivery and pastoral care. Spearheaded impactful fundraising and community service projects, enhancing congregation engagement and spiritual growth. Skilled in volunteer management and non-licensed Biblical counseling, adept at fostering meaningful relationships and promoting social media engagement.

#### **Skills**

- Spiritual leadership
- Small group planning and facilitation
- Wedding and funeral officiation
- Volunteer management

- Sermon preparation and delivery
- Pastoral care
- Non-licensed Biblical counseling
- Social media engagement

# **Work History**

Ordained Minister 08/2012 - Current

## Northeast Church of Christ - Kingsport, TN

- Weekly preaching and teaching to help all ages come to understand God's word and what He has called us to.
- Have coordinated successful fundraising events to support church initiatives and serve the wider community needs.
- Involved in empowering leadership by providing training opportunities that enabled others to contribute meaningfully to various ministries within the church.
- Work to implement ministry programs tailored to address specific needs within the congregation such as marriage counseling and grief support groups.
- Encourage spiritual growth in congregation members by leading retreats focusing on deepening faith and understanding of how to live as a Christian.
- Develop relationships with local community groups and organizations to promote service opportunities and collaboration where possible.
- Strengthen connections between families by organizing social events that fostered fellowship among congregants of all ages.
- Mentor youth group members, nurturing their faith journey while providing guidance on personal challenges.
- Provide spiritual care through visitation, counseling, and prayer.

#### Youth Minister 08/2006 - 07/2012

#### Vero Beach Church of Christ – Vero Beach, FL

- Taught the youth group multiple Biblical lessons each week that were tailored specifically for them to inspire spiritual thoughts and growth.
- Regularly communicated with the Elders, parents and guardians about church policy, events and youth participation.
- Enhanced youth engagement by incorporating interactive activities and multimedia into ministry programs.
- Promoted a culture of spiritual growth and discipleship, consistently modeling and encouraging a deepened relationship with God.
- Supported and encouraged staff to develop ongowing strategies to improve youth participation in the congregation as a whole and spiritual growth.
- Built rapport with teenagers and guardians by hosting events, and going to their activities and life milestones to

- support and encourage.
- Evaluated program effectiveness through regular feedback from participants and leadership, making necessary adjustments to better meet needs.
- Recruited new volunteers by to serve within the ministry and equipped them along the way.
- Coordinated volunteer efforts for various church functions, promoting a sense of unity within the congregation.
- Arranged community service projects for youth members of church.
- Spearheaded fundraising campaigns to support mission trips, special projects, and ongoing program expenses.
- Assisted youths with school projects, homework and life skills from Biblical perspective.

### English Teacher 08/2004 - 04/2006

## Hunan College of Finance – Hunan, China

- Taught conversational English to students looking to improve their pronunciation, public speaking and interactions
- Developed innovative lesson plans to engage students in English language learning.
- Prepared and implemented lesson plans covering required course topics.
- Assessed student progress and provided feedback to improve performance and establish success.
- Improved classroom management by implementing consistent routines and clear expectations for behavior.
- Built relationships through interactions outside the classroom through weekly English corner engagements where
  we answered student questions, playing various sports, judging competitions and having meals with our students
  in the cafeteria and restaurants when the occasion allowed.

# **Education**

**Bachelor of Arts**: Missions **Harding University** - Searcy, AR 05/2004