

**PASTORS CONFERENCE 2021**  
**MARCH 18 & 19**



# **PASTORING BEYOND THE PANDEMIC:**



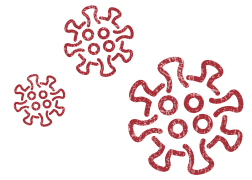
**FAITHFUL MINISTRY  
AFTER EXTREME TIMES**



*Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.*  
- 1 Peter 4:12 (ESV)

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## THURSDAY, MARCH 18:

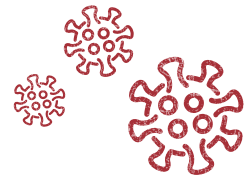
- 6:30 p.m.** Dr. David Kotter, Dean of the School of Theology  
*Welcome, Overview & Opening Prayer*
- 6:45 p.m.** Dr. Donald Sweeting, President of CCU  
*We Have Been Here Before: The Church Throughout History Has Overcome Many Trials*
- 7:15 p.m.** Dr. David Kotter, Dean of the School of Theology  
*Introduction of Lee Strobel*
- 7:20 p.m.** Lee Strobel, Founder and Director of the Lee Strobel Center for Evangelism and Applied Apologetics  
*Evangelism After the Pandemic: The Gospel Never Changes*
- 8:00 p.m.** Panel Discussion and Live Q&A
- 8:25 p.m.** Dr. David Kotter, Dean of the School of Theology  
*Wrap up & Closing Benediction*

## FRIDAY, MARCH 19:

- 9:00 a.m.** Dr. David Kotter, Dean of the School of Theology  
*Welcome, Overview & Opening Prayer*
- 9:10 a.m.** Gary McQuinn, Pastor of Park Church Denver  
*The Role of the Wilderness on the Road to Renewal*
- 9:30 a.m.** Dan Freng, Pastor of Calvary Littleton  
*God's Sustaining Grace in the Practice of Lament*
- 9:50 a.m.** Break – CCU Updates
- 10:00 a.m.** Dr. Mark Hallock, President of Calvary Church Englewood  
*Shepherding the Flock with Deep Love and Care*
- 10:20 a.m.** David Anderson, Pastor of Littleton Bible Chapel  
*Pandemic Paralysis? Preach the Word!*
- 10:40 a.m.** Panel Discussion and Live Q&A
- 11:00 a.m.** Dr. David Kotter, Dean of the School of Theology  
*Wrap up & Closing Benediction*

# THURSDAY SPEAKERS

*Pastoring Beyond the Pandemic*



## DR. DONALD SWEETING

Dr. Donald W. Sweeting is a pastor and educator. He received his B.A. in history from Lawrence University. At Oxford University in England he read theology and studied church history, receiving a B.A. and M.A. degree. He later earned his Ph.D. in historical theology at Trinity International University.

For more than 20 years Sweeting served as a pastor, first as a church planter in northern Illinois, then coming to Colorado to serve as the senior pastor at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Greenwood Village. While at Cherry Creek, Sweeting was an adjunct faculty member at Denver Seminary teaching church history. He joined the Board of Trustees at Colorado Christian University where he served as the chairman of the Academic Affairs Committee under President Bill Armstrong.

In 2010, Sweeting was called to become the president of Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Florida. There he was also named the James Woodrow Hassel Professor of Church History. In 2016, Sweeting was named the president of Colorado Christian University.

Sweeting speaks and preaches around the country and has published numerous articles for well-known magazines and scholarly journals. He also co-authored two books and is working on several others.

He and his wife, Christina, (who teaches New Testament Greek at CCU) have three sons and a daughter.



## LEE STROBEL

Atheist-turned-Christian Lee Strobel, the former award-winning legal editor of the *Chicago Tribune*, is a *New York Times* best-selling author of more than 40 books and curricula that have sold 14 million copies in total. He has been described in the *Washington Post* as "one of the evangelical community's most popular apologists."

Strobel was educated at the University of Missouri (Bachelor of Journalism) and Yale Law School (Master of Studies in Law). He was a journalist for 14 years at the *Chicago Tribune* and other newspapers, winning Illinois' highest honor for public service journalism from United Press International. He also led a team that won UPI's top award for investigative reporting in Illinois.

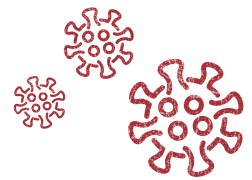
After probing the evidence for Jesus for nearly two years, Strobel became a Christian in 1981. He subsequently became a teaching pastor at three of America's largest churches and hosted the national network TV program, "Faith Under Fire." In addition, he taught First Amendment law at Roosevelt University and was professor of Christian thought at Houston Baptist University.

In 2017, Strobel's spiritual journey was depicted in an award-winning motion picture, "The Case for Christ," which was shown in theaters across America and around the world. The movie is still on Netflix. Strobel won national awards for his books *The Case for Christ*, *The Case for Faith*, *The Case for a Creator*, and *The Case for Grace*. His latest book is *The Case for Miracles*.

Currently, Strobel is founding director of the Lee Strobel Center for Evangelism and Applied Apologetics at Colorado Christian University. He and his wife, Leslie, have been married for 47 years. Their daughter, Alison, is a novelist, and their son, Kyle, is a professor of spiritual theology at the Talbot School of Theology at Biola University.

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## GARY MCQUINN

Gary McQuinn earned his B.A. in biblical languages from Northland International University and his M.A. in biblical theology and exegesis from Wheaton College. From 2010 to 2014, McQuinn helped plant and pastor The Crossing Church in Fort Collins and launched Porterbrook Colorado, part of a theological training network that equips leaders of gospel-centered missional communities. In 2014, McQuinn and his family came to Denver to join Park Church where he serves as the lead pastor. He also serves as the central Colorado area leader for Acts 29. McQuinn and his wife, Jamie, have been married for 14 years and have three children.



## DAN FRENG

Dan Freng earned his B.S. from Southwest Minnesota State University and his M.Div. from Denver Seminary. Freng planted and has served as lead pastor at Calvary Church in Littleton since fall 2013. Freng is also the vice president of the Calvary Family of Churches, an interdependent family of churches committed to planting and replanting churches for the glory of God ([thecalvary.org](http://thecalvary.org)). Freng has been married to Kelly for 20 years, and they have five children.



## DR. MARK HALLOCK

Dr. Mark Hallock earned his B.A. from Eastern University, his M.Div. from Denver Seminary, and his D.Min. from Westminster Theological Seminary. He has been the lead pastor at Calvary Church in Englewood since 2009. Hallock is also president of the Calvary Family of Churches, an interdependent family of churches committed to planting and replanting churches for the glory of God ([www.thecalvary.org](http://www.thecalvary.org)). He is grateful for his wife, Jenna, and loves being a daddy to their two kids. Follow Hallock on Twitter @markhallock.



## DAVID ANDERSON

David Anderson serves as pastor-teacher of Littleton Bible Chapel, in Littleton. From a young age, Anderson felt a call from God to serve the Lord. He came to CCU in the fall of 1998 where he earned a B.A. in speech communication. In 2005 he graduated from Denver Seminary. While attending CCU, Anderson began a preaching ministry and later started pastoring a church in Englewood at the end of his senior year.

Since his time at CCU, Anderson has given his life to the study and proclamation of God's Word. He has a passion for the multiplication of healthy, biblical, New Testament patterned churches. He has a strong desire to raise up more preachers and qualified elders.

Anderson also serves in a ministry called Biblical Eldership Resources which aims to strengthen church leaders and train the next generation. He speaks nationally and internationally on the topics of expository preaching, biblical eldership, and protecting churches and families against the "tsunami of secularization."

Anderson is married to Lonnalee, and they have three kids.

You can follow Anderson's ministry at: [littletonbiblechapel.org](http://littletonbiblechapel.org), [biblicaleldership.com](http://biblicaleldership.com)



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