

The CCBA Asset Preservation Ministries Story.....How it all started

God's plan for your life can take a long time!

Wayne Rogers and Buddy Camper first became great friends when they attended tiny Grand Saline High School in East Texas in the 1960s. They were both members of an even smaller local Baptist church.

Then they took different career paths. Out of college Wayne headed for Silicon Valley in California and started his own electronics company while Silicon Valley was just being born. Buddy, journalism major, entered the publishing business, stayed in Texas and created a string of newspapers and magazines.

Both had successful careers and built enterprise size businesses. Each sold their various companies, retired young and became interested in finance.

Again, their paths were different. Wayne started his venture capital company in the early days of Silicon Valley, worked with high stakes start up projects, like Dell Computer while Buddy started a non-profit to help families better understand their options in an ever increasing complex financial world.

While Wayne was involved in high finance with high risk projects, Buddy was conducting workshops in libraries, civic centers and restaurants teaching "safe money" practices and how to stay out of debt.



Buddy started the non-profit Association for Asset Preservation and taught others how to teach the concepts he was developing. As the two life long friends kept in touch and after hearing Buddy's story,

Wayne was called out by the Holy Spirit to develop Asset Preservation Ministries for his church's members.

Wayne was overwhelmed with the "safe money" concepts and saw a way to use them to help churches and church members build strong financial foundations, all biblically based.



Wayne wanted to take the teachings and workshops into churches and help people stay out of trouble and build solid futures. "No one needs to know how to make the most of their finances and protect and grow their investments more than Christians,"

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Wayne believed. Buddy, a life long Christian felt the call as well and the two great friends set off to see where God would lead them.

The partners then went about setting up contracts with insurance companies, health care organizations, investment institutions, and banking firms all over the world. They used their past business experience, accomplishments and enthusiasm God had given to them to convince the heads of these world class institutions to join up.

Their only requirement was that for a company to participate in the ministry, they had to have services that never put a family's money at risk. It was a tough sell, but, with God's help,

they were up to the task.

Over 40 world wide companies agreed with the partners and they were ready to go to work.

Both friends had been very successful in their business careers and retired young. "Now, it's time to give back," they decided. They agreed to devote full time to a financial ministry serving Christian causes, families and ministries. They pledged never to put a penny of a client's money at risk and never to charge fees of any type. They decided, with God's help, it was time to stop just making money and start making a difference in the lives of God's people.

Wayne and Buddy would personally fund the ministry through a private foundation trust they would set up, for the life of the ministry. They would not accept a salary, donations, love offerings or payments of any kind from clients or churches. They would also not allow the ministry to accept payment of any kind from those helped. They agreed that funding surpluses not needed to support the ministry day to day could be used to finance outside missions and support worthy church projects.

Wayne had been active in his local church in Morgan Hill and his wife, Karen, served as

Treasurer of the Central Coast Baptist Association under the direction of Dr. Michael Stewart. Dr. Stewart saw how the ministry could greatly benefit churches, members and pastors of the church association he headed. He also saw the same vision for the ministry as Wayne and Buddy and Asset Preservation Ministries became a ministry of the Central Coast Baptist Association. It was clear that the ministry would go nationwide and help all Christian churches and people.

The ministry is now in several states and has helped a multitude of people, churches and associations. The ministry now has 16 full time Financial Ministers the work is expanding at a phenomenal rate.

Any Christian church or church member can ask for and will receive the help of the ministry, free of any costs or charges.

The two partners were recently asked what they thought the next few years might bring for the ministry. They both smiled and Buddy said "We have no clue because we are not in charge of this thing, God is". Wayne added "...Jeremiah 29:11 tells us God has a plan for each of us, so we just stick to that and do our best to keep up, one step at a time".

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