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**Hope, Healing & Help**

August 1, 2015

“What About Preparing to Die?”

Hope Healing & Help

August 8, 2015

“Grief Intervention with Teens”

Rev. Randy Martin is a bi-vocational minister who leads the Biblical Studies Department at Bakersfield Christian High School, while also serving Covenant Presbyterian Church as their pastor. With more than 35 years in active ministry, Randy has ministered to many people through the dying process, as well as to those who are left behind. Although pastors have many roles, Randy believes one of the most important gospel ministries is to prepare people, whether young or old, healthy or ill, to face death in the confidence Christ provides.

Randy has received training on the grief intervention process by several individuals, including Dr. H. Norman Wright. This training was especially helpful when a high school student at Bakersfield Christian High School died the day before school started. Putting his training to the test gave him the ability to help the students deal with the death of their close friend and fellow football player. He was also able to help students in leadership understand how to effectively reach out to the other students, providing important peer-to-peer grief support.