

Scott Sauls

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Education	Furman University (BA, Business Administration) Covenant Seminary (Summa Cum Laude, MDiv, Contemporary Culture)
Core Strengths and Values	Preaching, teaching, writing, actualizing vision, engaging culture, creating goodwill between church and city, networking. Big tent, cross-denominational thought leader. Creative, hospitable, loyal, for the underdog. Persuasive with believers, seekers, and skeptics. Chief of sinners, unfinished work in progress, debtor to mercy and grace. Recovering overachiever. True partners with my wife.
Other	Enneagram: 4w3 (Enthusiast) Myers-Briggs: INFJ (Advocate) Bio

Pastoral Experience

2023 - Present: Founder & Director, [Healthy Leaders, Inc.](#)

- Teach, coach, and shepherd high-output leaders, influencers, and pastors to live in health.
- Serve the broader Kingdom through regular speaking, writing, and consulting.
- Flexible to relocate if called away from Nashville.

2012 - 2023: Senior Pastor, [Christ Presbyterian Church](#), Nashville, TN

- Led renewal for a 600-person, single location church into a 3,500 member, 4-campus, culturally diverse, intergenerational, nationally recognized resource church. Budget grew from \$3M to \$11M, with 40% allocated to church planting and 50+ ministry partners.
- Preached 40 Sundays per year.
- Led staff expansion from 30 to 85 women and men.
- Founded the [Nashville Institute for Faith & Work](#).

2007 - 2012: Lead Pastor & Senior Director, [Redeemer Presbyterian Church](#), New York, NY

- Preached 32 times per year to urban crowds from 700 to 2,000+ people.
- Served in executive leadership while directing a 25+ person staff and 600+ volunteers.
- Led growth of Redeemer's Small Group system from 48% to 72% participation in three years.
- Was primary writer of Redeemer Small Group Bible studies.
- Created a system of pastoral, diaconal, and counseling care for a 6,000+ person church.

1996 - 2007: Church Planter and Senior Pastor

[Riverside Church](#), St Louis, MO and [Oak Hills Presbyterian Church](#), Kansas City, KS

- Planted and pastored one suburban and one semi-urban congregation.
- Regularly attracted and led spiritual skeptics and seekers to faith in Christ.
- Both churches continue to serve and witness faithfully in their communities.

Writing, Speaking, and Public Voice

- Website: scottsauls.com (includes my [ministry profile](#)).
- Published author of six Christian trade books.
- 10,000+ weekly blog subscribers at scottsauls.substack.com.
- Approximately 100,000 social media followers.
- Experienced keynote, conference, and seminar speaker.
- Featured guest on several well-known podcasts and media outlets.

Developing, Teaching, and Coaching

- Called on by Barna, Christianity Today, PastorServe, THINQ, Rooted, and other networks as a “thought leader to leaders” focusing on third way engagement, building bridges between church and city, fostering diversity, and nurturing personal, pastoral, and church formation.
- Motivated by the great need to disciple, develop, and empower leaders to flourish spiritually, in friendship and community, at home, and at work.
- Robust history of helping believers meaningfully integrate their faith and their work.
- Taught Advanced Homiletics to MDiv students at [Covenant Seminary](#).

Other Relevant Qualities

- Wisdom gained from nearly 30 years of success, failure, and having excellent mentors.
- Poised for 15 more years of what could be our healthiest, most informed and fruitful ministry yet.
- Experience building and leading large, diverse, intergenerational churches.
- 18 years ministering effectively to cultural influencers and city leaders as well as college faculty and students, religious skeptics, people with varying abilities and special needs, people in recovery, different ethnicities, and across economic, vocational, and societal spectrums.
- Well-networked with Christian leaders and influencers throughout the U.S.
- Liturgically and stylistically flexible. At home with and happy to embrace any worship model that honors Christ by combining truth with beauty, transcendence with warmth, theological soundness with hospitable community, and member edification with neighbor sensitivity.

References

Letters and contact information available upon request.