



## GARY N. NICHOLS

ASSOCIATE, *Leadership and Life Department*  
Serving the Convention since 1983

### **Primary Responsibility:**

To provide coaching, workshops and consultations, and to build networks to strengthen similar emphases in Florida Baptist churches. To design and implement effective strategies which enhance the practices of servant leadership and spiritual transformation throughout specific program assignments.

**Birth:** Newton, Mississippi

**Spouse:** Carolyn Hurt Nichols

**Education:** New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, M.R.E., 1977  
William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, B.A., 1974

### **Previous Experience:**

Associate, Discipleship and Family Department, Florida Baptist Convention, Jacksonville, Florida 32207  
Minister of Education and Visitation, First Baptist Church, Long Beach, Mississippi, 1982-1983  
Minister of Education, Tylertown Baptist Church, Tylertown, Mississippi, 1980-1982  
Minister of Education and Activities, Five Points Baptist Church, Northport, Alabama, 1977-1980

**Publications:** Articles in *Discipleship Training*, *Church Musician* and *Equipping Youth* magazines  
Article in Creative Training Techniques newsletter  
Book: A Bunch of ClipArt and Other Ways to Promote Discipleship Training

### **Professional Memberships:**

Florida Baptist Religious Education Association  
Southern Baptist Religious Education Association  
National Association of Single Adult Minister

**Other Service:** Governor's Commission on Marriage and Family Support Initiatives

### **Church Membership:**

Fruit Cove Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida