

GCI EMPLOYEE PROFILE

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Tell us about your role in GCI.

I have had the privilege of serving as the Grace Communion Seminary (GCS) Registrar for the past eight years and am preparing to become the new GCI Operations Coordinator. In my role as registrar, I interact with students, faculty, staff, and GCS Board members as well as our national accreditors and state authorization organizations. I also promote GCS at every opportunity. Before I became the GCS Registrar, I was a GCS student, and though I have now graduated from GCS, I still take classes when I have the opportunity.

I am looking forward to the GCI Operations Coordinator role. Many of the people I will be working closely with have been GCS students (VP Heber Ticas and many of the superintendents, for example) and I look forward to continuing our working relationship in a different capacity. As operations coordinator, I have the opportunity to impact how things work together at an organizational level, contributing to the GCI vision of Healthy Church, providing High Support in circles of influence. I look forward to bringing my GCS experience and education to contribute towards these ends.

What skills do you bring to the role that make you a good fit?

Attention to detail. Love of learning. Intimate knowledge and awareness of the denomination's history and its members. Ability to see how things align or misalign, and how this impacts all areas of operation. Ability to identify opportunities and barriers to Healthy Church. God works in ways to prepare us for the next steps in our journey, even in ways that we can't see. I look forward to participating in ministry in a way that utilizes my past experiences and training. In these endeavors, I strive to serve and glorify the Lord by leaning on him in all that he leads me to do.

What do you want people to know about working/serving here?

It is a blessing to work in full-time ministry alongside others seeking to glorify our Lord. Receiving an invitation to become the GCS Registrar and later the GCI Operations Coordinator came as a surprise, and both positions necessitated a big change for me and my family. In each instance, God graciously confirmed this calling through family, friends, and coworkers, and even through a few "coincidental" events that opened the door to this opportunity. Working here has shown how the Lord has been preparing me, and others, for each role in advance.



Operations Coordinator
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What excites you about this role?

I am excited to work towards more integration of Trinitarian theology with GCI's ministry practice. A proper view of who God is as revealed in Jesus Christ (theology), integrated into ministry practice, leads to a freedom and joy in participating in Jesus' ministry. Many of my tasks will provide opportunity to encourage and strengthen alignment between theology and ministry, informing all aspects of operation in our denomination.

What are some core values that guide your life and influence your approach to ministry?

Knowing who Jesus is and that I'm participating in his ministry shapes and directs my approach to ministry the most. As we come to know the Father, who reveals himself through his Son Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit, we serve in the obedience of faith – knowing that our ministry is a participation in the ministry of Jesus. Ministry is about receiving and giving, so it is crucial to seek God regularly. I can only pass on to others what I have first received from our triune God.

What are the challenges?

The ever-present challenge is remembering to rely only on the Lord instead of myself.

I can minister in faith, hope, and love, resting in the knowledge that the results are in God's hands and he sanctifies my efforts in serving him.

What else is important for our readers to know?

I love being a wife and mother. Lance and I have been married for 27+ years, and we have four amazing children who we love hanging out with. We also have three of our parents currently living with us, a special season we see as a gift of grace.

What hobbies or pastimes bring you the most joy?

Reading, learning, traveling, crocheting, and spending time with family.

What is something people don't know about you?

Our family loves road trips! We once took a four-week trip of nearly 7,000 miles with only two days of planning. We visited national parks and stayed with friends and family along the way. This trip, and many others, are treasured memories.

What's a simple blessing you're grateful for recently?

Unexpected opportunities to spend time with family and friends who provide support and encouragement as they point me again to Jesus when I need it most.

Get to know Georgia



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Georgia and Lance at Niagara Falls



Family at Niagara Falls



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