



# CFBC Staff Team Profile

## Austin Whittington

*Minister of Children*

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**Birthday:** September 17, 1981

**Originally from:** Jackson, Mississippi

**Education Background:** B.A. in Foreign Languages and International Trade from Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi • M.C.E. from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, Memphis, Tennessee

**Ministry Background:** Preschool and Children's Ministry Intern at Colonial Heights Baptist Church, Jackson, MS, 1998-2000 • Children's Ministry Assistant at Colonial Heights Baptist Church, Jackson, MS, 2000-2004 • IMB Summer Missionary in Colombia, South America, 2001 • Children's Ministry Teacher at Iglesia Bautista Vida Abundante (Abundant Life Baptist Church), Jackson, MS, 2003-2004 • Minister of Children at Ridgeway Baptist Church, Memphis, TN, 2005-2006

**I started working for CFBC:** May 7, 2006

**My family:** my wife, Amy

**My role at CFBC:** : I provide leadership in planning, preparing and conducting children's ministry programs and events. This includes Sunday School, AWANA, Girls in Action, Royal Ambassadors, Vacation Bible School and summer camps.

**Personal Story:** : I grew up in a Christian home and accepted Christ as my personal Savior and Lord at the age of eight. Since that time, I knew God had a special plan for my life. During my freshman year of college, I surrendered my life to full-time Christian service, specifically to children's ministry. It is an absolute joy and privilege to serve the Lord by ministering to children and their families!

**Recent books I've enjoyed:** Key Into the Languages of America by Roger Williams and The Four Loves by C. S. Lewis

**Most fulfilling part of my job:** My heart's desire is to see boys and girls come to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and Lord, and to make Him known to their family and friends.

**Places of service available in my ministry:** Our children's ministry always needs additional teachers in Sunday School, AWANA, GAs and RAs. There's a place for you!

**Spiritual Gifts:** Serving and Teaching

**My hobbies:** I collect old and rare editions of classic literature. Boring to some...fun to me!

**I hope heaven includes:** NOT volleyball!

**If I could live at any point in history...** Middle Ages—I have a sword, so it's only fitting.

**The smartest thing I've ever done:** Asking Amy to marry me!

**The dumbest thing I've ever done:** : Falling through the ceiling of my parent's house...twice!

**The best way to pray for me:** Pray that God will use me as a vessel to bring others to His kingdom.



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