Retreat ITINERARY

- **Monday:** arrive at monastery by 3pm for opening session (if driving from Tucson, recommend leaving by 7am)
- Tuesday-Thursday: morning & evening devotional & learning sessions, midday optional speaker-directed conversations, & lots of free time in between to be with God
- Friday: closing session, depart at or after 10am

Retreat COST

\$150 per person, or \$200 per couple

- Retreat restricted to the first 15 individuals/couples who register
- Rooms for singles or with your spouse, including meals



"At this retreat you'll discover the beauty of stopping — and of becoming found again. Seize the opportunity to attend. My experience with God working in me and time of discussion together with other pastors is still having a ripple effect. I'm grateful for the new rhythms."

- Jack Schull, Pastor, Elements City Church



"There are times you don't really know what you most need; what I actually needed was to let go of all my busyness. Spending a few days with some Godly brothers was soul refreshing. Jesus came close and I was able to reconnect with the deep joy of his presence. It was one of the highlights of my year."

- Rod Hugen, Pastor, The Village Church



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Relate. Refresh. Restore.



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How brightly is your fire for God burning? What does your fire look like these days?

Fire is a strange thing. It can warm us and light our way; but in the process it continues to consume until there is little left to burn. And when all the fuel is exhausted, even the most robust fire will start to burn out. Every good fire has to be rekindled from time to time, no matter how vibrant it has been in the past or how many people it has comforted.

The same is true for those who serve in ministry. We all go through seasons where we are on fire and the Holy Spirit is working powerfully in and through us! Yet in those same seasons we can start to feel tired, and sense the need to step away for more intimacy with God ourselves.

Throughout the history of the Church, there have been men and women who have burned brightly for God without being consumed — not by what they did *for* God, but how they did life with God, keeping Christ in the center of their day-to-day lives.

Do you desire a space to set ministry and all of its demands aside to give Christ your undivided attention? See this as an invitation from God for you and/or your spouse to get away for a few days, listen to God and rekindle some ancient Christian spiritual practices to help us in the season ahead with Christ.

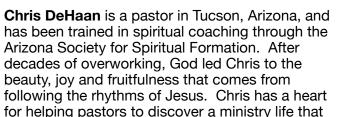


What you'll EXPERIENCE

- Fully disconnect from ministry & discover how much easier it is to hear God's voice by slowing down & eliminating noise
- Find God in the daily prayer rhythms of a small, vibrant desert monastery, and join them in prayer when desired
- Learn & discuss some ancient spiritual practices of the Church that can spark new passion in your relationship with Christ, including silence, fixed hour prayer & a daily examen
- Enjoy nature and desert walks on and around the property, at the base of the San Gabriel mountains
- One-on-ones with a trained spiritual director who listens to your story and helps you listen to God about your life
- Decide on some healthy, sustainable spiritual rhythms for your own life that keep Christ in the center of life rather than the demands of ministry
- Talk with monks at the monastery to learn and idea-share ways to prioritize and incorporate a vibrant prayer life with God in the world we live in today

Retreat SPEAKERS

David Hillis is a pastor in Oro Valley, Arizona, and a licensed spiritual director for pastors across the Southwest. For over 20 years, David lived as a busy pastor of growing churches in Arizona. On the edge of burnout, in 2018 he took a sabbatical that began by practicing the life of a monk in a remote desert monastery. It redirected his path in life and showed him what it really means to have Christ at the center of your life, not ministry.



flows from a place of rest and intimacy with God.



