

MEN'S  
CHALLENGE  
CONNECTION

Happy New Year!

JANUARY  
2026



We are excited to announce the 2026 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual MCS Hope Gala. Both evenings will be filled with times of worship, ministry updates, ministry vision items, and a special guest as our Keynote Speaker. Last year's event was so well supported, we ended up having to close our table sponsorships at 27 tables. The Gala Committee has addressed this issue by hosting the event for two nights allowing for up to 50 table sponsorships. We hope you, your church, or your business can be a part of supporting this event, which is solely dedicated to raise funds to help men be set free from the horrible realities of addiction. Call now to reserve your table!

**Monday, March 30th**  
**Tuesday, March 31st**  
**6pm**

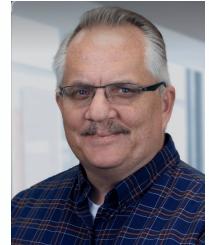
**Discover Church**  
**47 Macon Center Dr**  
**Franklin, NC**



### About our Keynote Speaker

We are excited to have as our Keynote Speaker, Gary Blackard, president of Adult & Teen Challenge USA. He was a vice president at Xerox corporation where he led global teams as large as 700 employees. Most recently, he served as the vice president, strategy & innovation and chief information officer for Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri.

His association with Adult & Teen Challenge began many years ago while serving on church-based worship teams. He joined the National Board of Directors in 2014, becoming the Chairman in 2017. His personal, spiritual, and professional life have equipped him with the rich and diverse experiences needed at the helm of Adult & Teen Challenge USA.



**Gary Blackard,**  
**President of Adult &**  
**Teen Challenge USA**



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# MEN'S CHALLENGE HAPPENINGS

 Congratulations Quinton



"The LORD bless thee, and keep thee: The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace." Numbers 6:24-26



*Discover Church*



*Ridge Crest Baptist*

Thankful for the recent opportunity to share testimonies and worship with these wonderful congregations.



**Graduation**

Saturday, January 17th 10am  
336 Living Hope Way  
Reception immediately following  
Everyone is invited to attend



*We want to recognize and express gratitude to the following Businesses/Organizations for underwriting and sponsoring our first annual Hope Gala this past March. We will continually recognize in our newsletters the many groups who sponsored the Gala and made it such a special evening.*



## TO MAKE A DONATION:

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