Biography

Church Planting America (CPA) was birthed in the heart and mind of Dr. Charles Shoemaker in 1983 while serving as a Senior Pastor in Minnesota. Through his experiences associated with planting three independent Baptist churches, Dr. Shoemaker saw the need to assist young men as they followed God's leading to plant a New Testament, Baptist church.

Early in 1991, Dr. Shoemaker resigned from the pastorate in order to serve full-time as a church planting missionary. For nearly five years, he traveled speaking in Bible colleges and conferences, counseling church planters, and developing and making available resources for young preachers and churches.

In an unusual way, God redirected Dr. Shoemaker's steps in the summer of 1995. It was at this time that God led him to accept an invitation to serve as the CEO/Executive Vice President—and later President—of Trinity Baptist College located in Jacksonville, Florida. Through his leadership, influence, and teaching, many young men surrendered to plant churches during those years.

As an organization, CPA was somewhat "on hold" until 2010. After 15 years serving at Trinity, God once again led Dr. Shoemaker to re-enter full-time missionary service as a church planting consultant and counselor. He spends his time helping and encouraging young church planters with various needs and questions. He also travels widely, preaching Missions Conferences, thus exposing this great need and ministry to pastors and congregations.

SCHEDULE

MONDAY

3:00 P.M.	AIBCI BOARD MEETING
4:45 P.M.	SUPPER FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND THEIR WIVES
5:00 P.M.	REGISTRATION - $25 *(For each church attending)*
6:30 P.M.	BUSINESS MEETING
7:00 P.M.	SESSION I
8:30 P.M.	DESSERTS & FELLOWSHIP

TUESDAY

9:00 A.M.	SESSION II
10:15 A.M.	BREAK
10:40 A.M.	WORKSHOP
11:30 A.M.	LUNCH AT CHURCH
1:15 P.M.	PRAYER
2:00 P.M.	SESSION III

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MEN'S RETREAT
MARCH 12-13, 2027
Morris Gleiser
Heritage Baptist, Roscoe

LADIES RETREAT
APRIL 9-10, 2027
Rebecca Brock
Bethel Baptist, Georgetown

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