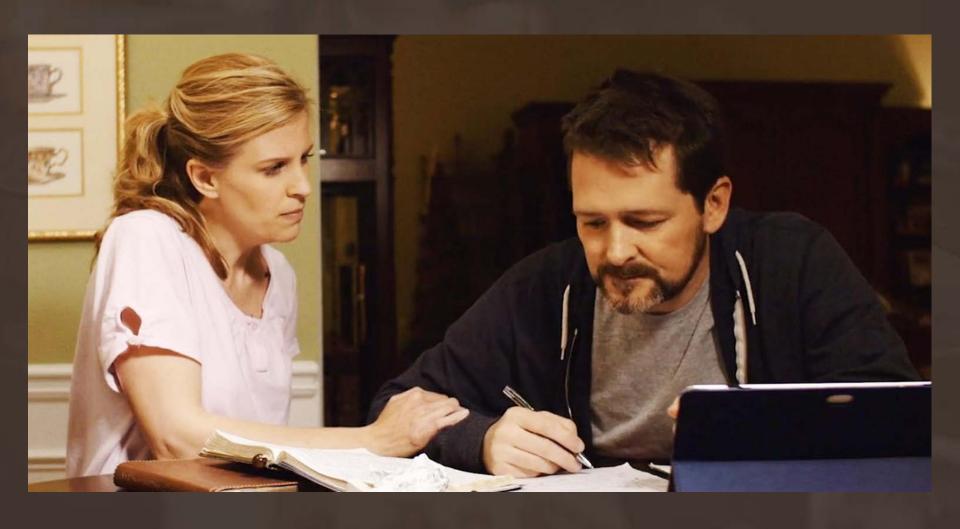
# In This Together: Care for Families in Ministry

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### Our focus

- Challenges
- Call
- Characteristics
- Vision



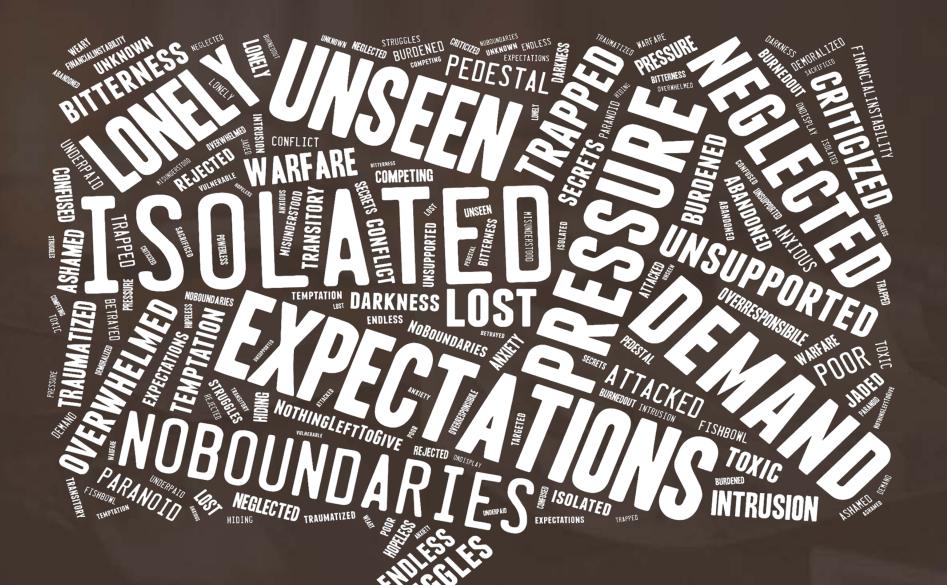
For leaders: demand & complexity

For family members



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# The challenges make supportive relationships more crucial

more inaccessible

#### The call

Prioritize and pursue supportive relationships

triage mentality + oxygen mask mentality

Family members: evaluate & envision

Friends & shepherds: know what support can look like

- 1. Relationships
  - 2. Supporters
- 3. Conversation

Relationships that cultivate intimacy

- Space
- Safety
- Simplicity

# Supporters who exhibit maturity

- Sensitivity
- Patience & perseverance
- Awareness of limitations & dependence on the Lord

# <u>Characteristics</u>

# Conversations that cultivate wisdom

- Identify challenges & voice impact
- Envision and experience God
- Hear relevant & reorienting truth
- Assess and discern calling

#### A realistic vision

God's diverse *provision*:
from season to season
&
among supporters

#### A realistic vision

A diversity of *need*:
from season to season &
among family members

# We are <u>all</u> in this together.

What part can I play?