## Mike Macdonald Biography

Mike Macdonald is a United Methodist pastor (retired) with over forty years of service in Arkansas, England, and western North Carolina. He served as a youth director, a student pastor, and a lay pastor before being ordained a Deacon in 1983 an Elder in 1985. As an elder in the Western North Carolina Conference, he served the Polkton Charge, Main Street (Albemarle), Mt. Pleasant, Broad Street (Mooresville), Andrews, and Black Mountain.

Mike has been published in the Upper Room multiple times. He has also had articles published in numerous newspapers such as the Chicago Tribune, the Baltimore Sun, and Charlotte Observer. He has also done several commentaries for NPR stations in Charlotte and Winston-Salem. He won the sermon contest in the Circuit Rider (magazine sent to all UMC pastors) two out of the three years it was held. He has also had crosswords published by the Los Angeles Times and Universal syndicates.

Mike has been married to Delaine Peckham Macdonald since November 5, 1983. They have twins, Caleb and Rebekah, born in 1990. Mike and Delaine have been active in Marriage Encounter Methodist for over thirty years and are currently serving as National Executive Clergy Couple. They retired to Oak Island in 2020 and are active in the Ocean View UMC.