The FCAP ministry conducts an initial Workplace Training in four parts called “On the Job...God’s Way.” It is foundational and puts our calling to work in perspective with God himself. Understand that it is God who revealed how work is to be a part of who He is. We have also learned from God’s Word and the experiences of people in the workplace that there is much more going on there than our personal satisfaction or the success of our company. In our first session, “Developing a God-Sized View of Work,” we give a summary of it as follows:

“Spiritually effective people in the workplace understand their belief about WORK is GOD-SIZED, in that they see the details of performing their job as important to God, while believing the ultimate purpose and results are bigger than that of the company and their personal goals.”

So what does this mean for you? There is a great emphasis in doing our work “whole heartily” unto Him, and not just how we might work in such a way as to keep from being fired. Equally important is how God has things going on that we may not see (or beyond our comprehension if we do see them) but very much part of His bigger plan for us.

Consider the story of an airline mechanic recently called to work across country on very short notice. Christmas was only days away, and with family and friends coming in, he was reluctant to travel very far. But knowing the necessity of it, he packed his bag and headed out. Mature Christians speak often of being deliberate in how we carry out ministry and there is much truth in that. However, there are also times we move without so much as a plan, and certainly not a plan to get on an airplane to go “on mission” with only four shopping days left before Christmas. Often we may be unaware of what He has in store, which is not altogether bad. Yet so many times in the hustle of a major holiday or the pressure of a company business trip we get distracted, so distracted in fact that we may lose a sense of what God is doing around us, which is unfortunate.

The mechanic made it to his destination and got busy doing what he was called by his company to do. Little did he know that he would also be doing what God had called him to do. Soon he wound up working alongside another believer who, in the midst of a short break, began sharing with the mechanic various workplace ministry difficulties. As the two began enjoying that “koinonia,” it became evident that God had purposed the meeting between these two for His glory. Both men went away encouraged … one full of gladness in how God willfully intends to use him at his workplace, the other in how God had orchestrated such an event!

Do you desire to be a spiritually effective Christian? Most all of us would answer in the affirmative, for nobody would care to be labeled ineffective in the work of our Lord, but that means we begin afresh looking to Him who is arranging magnificent and wonderful things for those believers who love and trust Him, and are looking forward to and even prepared for God to call them to spiritual ministry.

“And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.” Romans 8:28

Blessings in the New Year as you follow God’s plan!

The FCAP Staff

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**History:**
The ministry of FCAP began in 1971 and was incorporated in 1973 when 50 people from eight different airlines in the United States and Canada met to consider how God wanted them to serve Christ in and through the airline industry. Since that time, the ministry of FCAP has spread in over 90 areas of the world. We are a fellowship among Christians in the airline industry worldwide that share a common commitment and focus.

**Perspective & Focus:**
Most people look at work primarily as a source of income. Some even view it as a curse imposed on them as punishment from God. The Fellowship of Christian Airline Personnel believes that God places a high value on work and is deeply interested in our work, our performance on the job and our relationships with our co-workers. We recognize that both our work and the way we relate to people in the workplace are of great importance to God. So it is our mission: “To represent Christ in the airlines through meaningful relationships and quality work.”

FCAP’s two-fold purpose encourages people to know and experience God’s presence with them at work and to trust Him for the enabling strength in the responsibilities and challenges of work. We see authentic ministry in the workplace as a result of our displaying this relationship to our Lord within the sphere of our influence at work, without being coercive or self-serving.

**Values:**
- We value doing our work wholeheartedly as unto the Lord, knowing we represent Christ by the quality of our performance while on the job (Ephesians 6:6).
- We value intentionally engaging our faith in the workplace by expressing it in both deeds and words (1 Timothy 6:17-19).
- We value influencing the people around us by creatively building relationship with them and looking out for their interest just as we do our own.
- We value connecting the church in the workplace by seeking out other Christians, to mutually show our love for one another and our care for the people God has placed around us (John 13:35).

**Making Your Connection:**
Like the airline industry is all about making connections, so FCAP is all about Christians making their connection in the workplace in three basic ways:
- Connecting God’s purposes in the details of your work.
- Connecting ministry to God working through you to influence the people and circumstances of work.
- Connecting the church in the workplace in unique and creative ways, in order to extend and strengthen its influence.

**WE OFFER:**
- Training that helps Christians integrate the Christian faith into the everyday details of our work and its challenges.
- Free publications and weekly thoughts that offer encouragement, gives focus, and provides information.
- Support and fellowship through local groups, prayer network, training sessions, special events and conferences.

**Your Next Step:**
Check on the FCAP website to see if there is a group in your area, or seek out and connect with other Christians at your workplace. Contact us at the international office for further assistance or click on “Connect With Us” on the website.

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