

## Hugh Whelchel – BIO

As executive director, Hugh Whelchel brings a unique combination of executive responsibility, creative educational administration, and technical innovation from over thirty years of diverse business experience. Almost a decade ago, Hugh stepped out of a successful business career in the IT industry to share his experience of turning around unprofitable companies with Reformed Theological Seminary's struggling Washington, DC, campus where he served as executive director and guest professor.

In addition to his business acumen, Hugh has a passion and expertise in helping individuals integrate their faith and vocational calling. He is the author of ***How Then Should We Work? Rediscovering the Biblical Doctrine of Work***, released in May 2012. Hugh has been published by a variety of media outlets from *The Washington Post* to The Gospel Coalition website and *ByFaith* magazine. He has also been a guest on Moody Radio Network's "In the Market with Janet Parshall," Salem Radio Network, IRN/USA Radio Network, and Truth in Action Ministries' "Truth That Transforms," and the "Jack Riccardi Show," among other shows.

In addition to serving on the board of several Christian non-profits, Hugh has served as executive director and board member of The Fellows Initiative, an umbrella organization supporting and establishing church-based Fellows Programs which are designed to help young adults understand God's vocational calling on their lives as they enter their careers.

A native Floridian, Hugh earned a bachelor of arts in sociology from the University of Florida and a master of arts in religion from Reformed Theological Seminary. Hugh and his wife Leslie now live in Loudoun County, Virginia. As an ordained ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church in America, he serves in leadership at McLean Presbyterian Church in McLean, Virginia. In what little spare time he has, Hugh enjoys hiking, golfing, and restoring old sports cars.