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Dr. Ellis currently serves as the Statewide Director of Chaplaincy/Volunteer Services and previously as Clinical Chaplain for the Georgia Department of Corrections. He also serves as Professor of Christian Ministry for New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Associate Professor at Truett McConnell University. These two schools have extension centers at Whitworth Women's Facility and Phillips State Prison respectively, in which Dr. Ellis serves as the seminary extension director. He is the Senior Pastor of the Beaver Ruin Road Baptist Church in Norcross, GA.

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Dr. Ellis has served on various committees and study groups dealing with cultural diversity issues, criminal justice, and men's ministries relevant to the church. Also, he partners with several community organizations in the Norcross, GA area. His interests include sports, computers, and reading.