



Professional Bio – Loretta M. Iannicelli, Wellesley Mass

Pastor Dr. Loretta Iannicelli is the founding Pastor, Chaplain and President of Equip Services, Inc., a national leader-of-choice bringing innovative and out-of-the-box solutions to the forefront of church, college, and community-based ministry. Here, she holds faithfully to the belief that there is value, purpose, potential, and dignity in compassionately loving, serving, and caring for the needs of others. She believes that meeting the basic need of others through love, hope, and well-being are the staples of everyday life and does so through the non-denominational embodied Christian ministries of Equip Church : Equip Academy : Equip Care Ministries.

Equip has a mandate of excellence for the commitment & care of others, and we aim to redefine Spiritual Care ... in the church ... in the college ... in the community and ... most importantly, in caring. She is an engaging preacher/teacher/speaker focused on many Pastoral Care initiatives that meet relevant need.

Pastor Dr. Iannicelli is both an Ordained Minister and Ordained Healthcare/Crisis Chaplain with the American Evangelistic Association, Florida, USA. She has worked in congregational, college, and business settings and across diverse community/ministry settings serving leaders, first responders, and persons in crises for more than a decade, and has been employed for more than 21+ years in the corporate healthcare arena for a top healthcare network in the Boston area. Her love and passion for health, wellness, and care of families and persons leads her charge as a care provider.

Dr. Iannicelli's Pastoral Care ministry is derived from various disciplines including a Doctorate Degree in Religious Education from Chesapeake Bible College & Seminary (Maryland, USA); a Master's of Divinity Degree from Andover Newton at Yale Divinity School (Newton, MA) and counseling coursework with Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (Hamilton, MA); diverse specialized Crisis Chaplaincy trainings in trauma, disaster, and suicide from the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF); and Healthcare Chaplaincy training through Harvard Divinity School's Field Education Program (Cambridge, MA).

Currently, serving as the Dean of Admissions and Academic Development with Chesapeake Bible College & Seminary, Dr. Iannicelli believes that life transformation can be found in both knowing Christ deeply as one gains wisdom and understanding

through the Word of God. Her heart and passion for marketplace "community ministries" outside the local church has propelled her love and dedication to families, students, and persons in crisis through her Christian Biblical Counseling practice. Here, she provides one to one Pastoral and Spiritual Care, along with coaching and mentorship opportunities to those facing many life challenges and hardship.

Passionate for community, she has worked as the Interim Protestant Chaplain at a local, Metrowest multi-disciplinary hospital, offering Spiritual Care to the many facing unforeseen healthcare crises. As the Crisis Chaplain for Boston Fire Department's Boston Fire/Metro Fire's Critical Incident Stress Management Team, she works directly with first-responders in prevention and postvention that aids to minimize affects faced from risk of compassion fatigue as a result of their daily workplace experiences.

Dr. Iannicelli is the Executive Pastor-in-Residence whereby she aids families, children, and those in crisis at City Church, (Marlborough MA). There, she fosters many leadership development initiatives that serve this community. As a coach for Barnabas Ministries, Dr. Iannicelli welcomes the opportunity to invest in Pastors. She notes, "Many pastors are silently leading as wounded warriors, especially now where many churches face turbulent and uncertain times. Both depression and fatigue are areas for pastors to watch out for in light of this world's Covid crisis."

In her spare time, she loves the outdoors! On many days, Dr. Iannicelli enjoys gardening, nature, hikes, fishing, and biking. Precious to her is the quality time spent with her three grandchildren Angeline, Giovanni, and Nate along with her two adult children Anthony & wife Sandy, and Marlena & husband Angel.

Her favorite life verse is Psalm 119:105 "*The Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.*"