



Dr. Michael Mannia Receives Highly Esteemed IBCC Certification

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After an extensive application and review process, the International Board of Christian Counselors (IBCC) awarded Dr. Michael Mannia (D.Min.) with the credential of **Board Certified Pastoral Counselor (BCPC)**. The BCPC is awarded to ordained pastors, associate church staff, and pastoral counselors engaged in significant counseling ministry in church, para-church settings, and pastoral counseling agencies. The IBCC credential is given to those who represent the vanguard within Christian counseling; exemplifying the highest standards of ethical excellence in practice; and is representative of a very high quality group of applicants from every clinical discipline. The IBCC is a credentialing board launched by the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC); whose intension is to: equip clinical, pastoral, and lay caregivers with Biblical truth and psycho-social insights that ministers to hurting persons and helps them move to personal wholeness, interpersonal competence, mental stability, and spiritual maturity. The near 50,000 member AACC is made-up of: licensed mental health professionals, pastors/ministers, Christian counselors, as well as those serving within the laity.

Regarding this milestone, Dr. Mannia noted, "The IBCC is working hard to become the gold-standard in Christian counseling practice and ministry. The organization is committed to ensuring only those possessing the highest caliber of education, training, and expertise receive credentialing; it is very humbling to be recognized as part of such a highly esteemed group of professionals and ministers. I give God the glory for providing me with outstanding education, and equipping me to serve those in need." Dr. Mannia is founder of Kingdom Community Ministries (KCM) located in Bakersfield, CA, offering Christian counseling services. KCM's mission is to bring people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, helping them to overcome the crippling effects of sin and guilt, and find forgiveness. "KCM is committed to providing the absolute best in Christian counseling services." says Dr. Mannia. "We maintain the highest ethical standards, as well as continually work to hone our skills."

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