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2002

Rev. Harold Davis



Rev. Harold D. Davis is founder and Executive Director of TALKS Mentoring of Champaign County (Illinois). He is an ordained minister and is recognized as an Associate Minister at Canaan Missionary Baptist Church of Urbana, Illinois, where he served for twelve years as Assistant Pastor and Pastor of Youth Activities. Davis holds the Master of Ministry and Doctor of Ministry degrees with honors from Bethany Theological Seminary. He has authored several books, including *Never Alone* (Dating from the Biblical Perspective) and the TALKS Mentoring curriculum series.

Rev. Davis received an award of "Excellent" from the Illinois State Board of Education for his work with the TALKS Program in Champaign. Rev. Davis regularly serves as a consultant for

mentoring programs around the country and in 2003 consulted with the Kid's Club at Cabrini Green in Chicago.

He has shared the TALKS Program on "Focus on the Family," "Money Matters," and "Family Life Today." Davis has served on several boards of directors, including Youth for Christ and Boy Scouts of America. He is a frequent speaker for campus

Inter Varsity meetings, and conducts retreats and seminars for men, youth, and singles, and long with his wife, Ollie Watts Davis, for married couples. The Davises have four children and reside in Champaign Illinois.

Illinois Fatherhood Initiative presented Rev. Harold Davis with the 2002 [IFI / Ricky Byrdsong Award](#).