Dr. Mark E. Lail Biography

Dr. Mark E. Lail is the director of Stewardship Ministries at the Global Ministry Center for the Church of the Nazarene.

He has been on general church assignment since February 2008. Prior to that, he served as a pastor for over 20 years, most recently at the Fishcreek (Ohio) Nazarene Worship Center.

Dr. Lail is currently instrumental in leading churches in the Funding the Mission plan: giving generously to the World Evangelism, Pensions & Benefits, and Education Funds. He travels around the country promoting excellent financial practices and generous giving through School of Stewardship, a program of Stewardship Ministries. Additionally, he is the chairman of the Rare Circumstance Adjustment Committee and serves as the executive vice president of the Church of the Nazarene Foundation.

He is a graduate of Mount Vernon Nazarene University and Nazarene Theological Seminary. Dr. Lail went on to earn a Doctor of Ministry in Spiritual Formation and Church Growth from Fuller Theological Seminary. Prior to his general assignment, he served in various positions including: district treasurer, Sunday School Ministries chairman, and instructor for the Nazarene Bible College extension on the East Ohio District. He also served on the East Ohio District Advisory Board, the MVNU Board of Trustees, the Board of Ministerial Studies, and the Board of Ministerial Credentials.

"Dr. Mark Lail brings over 20 years of pastoral ministry and district leadership experience to the Global Ministry Center," General Treasurer, Marilyn J. McCool, says. "His vision for ministry and passion for stewardship are assets to our denomination."

Dr. Lail and his wife, Ruth, have five daughters and two grandsons.