

# Therapists, Ministers, Lay Ministers that Provide Immanuel Approach Emotional Healing: (Updated December 2011)

## Really Important Notes

- **It is essential that the person who desires to receive emotional healing evaluate the person whom he/she is planning to see.** We try to present what we know about each of the providers listed here, but we do not have any oversight authority or provide formal supervision for any of these people, and cannot take responsibility for their work. The person seeking healing must ask questions initially, and then evaluate the process during actual sessions to determine whether the healing process with a particular provider is a good fit. It is very appropriate for the person seeking healing to evaluate the process on an ongoing basis, and to find another provider if necessary.
- Many, if not all, of the providers listed below, are trained and/or experienced in other forms of prayer ministry or counseling in addition to the Immanuel approach. **If you want to do emotional healing work using *only* the Immanuel approach, we encourage you to make that very clear to the provider from the outset of your work.**

Also, bear in mind that the plan that works best for your emotional healing may ideally include other elements in addition to the Immanuel approach. For example, it is sometimes necessary to use other tools, such as Theophostic, to remove blockages that prevent you from being able to experience an interactive connection with the Lord (a necessary prerequisite for being able to work within the Immanuel approach); it is sometimes helpful to take a session to “debrief” after every few Immanuel sessions; it is sometimes important to work with your therapist/minister to develop coping skills/tools (to help manage life during the time it takes to resolve underlying issues); it is sometimes important to get help from your therapist/minister in building a better support community; it is sometimes important to work with a Christian psychiatrist regarding medication to help control symptoms (even while simultaneously using the Immanuel approach to eliminate those symptoms at their roots). These additional interventions are not part of the Immanuel approach per se, but are often helpful/necessary in certain situations.
- **We know that there are many folks doing emotional healing work with the Immanuel approach who are not on this list.** Some who are very experienced, whom we know, are simply too busy to take any more referrals, and so have asked to not be on this list. Others work in a specific church or friend/family/ministry network that doesn’t fit with taking outside referrals. Others we simply have not had occasion to meet, or there’s some other unique reason for not being listed.
- **If necessary, find/recruit your own provider:** We are working hard to train Immanuel approach facilitators, and to post information regarding these people on the “Immanuel Colleagues” page of our immanuel approach website ([www.immanuelapproach.com](http://www.immanuelapproach.com)), but the small number of facilitators we are aware of are profoundly unable to provide sessions for the large number of people who want them. Therefore, an important part of the plan for meeting the overwhelming need for Immanuel approach sessions is for people to find or recruit their own Immanuel approach facilitators. Our essay, “Finding/Recruiting Your Own Immanuel Approach Facilitator” ([link](#)) offers our thoughts with respect to how one might go about doing this.
- **The following list is in alphabetical order only, not order of recommendation.**

AUSTRALIA:

George and Dorothy? – Follow up e-mail

**CANADA:****Alberta:**

David Bamford (Positive Changes Counseling): David has a BA degree, plus masters level counselling studies, but he does not have a completed Masters degree. After counseling with a number of agencies and organizations, David opened his own practice, Positive Changes in 1995. He has studied THRIVE, Theophostic, and the Immanuel approach extensively, and has been applying these principles and tools in his counseling practice for a number of years. He now also provides training (see [above the Immanuel Colleagues page](#)). We met David in 2008 and have had ongoing contact at conferences and via e-mail since then. We have not had the privilege of observing him facilitate an Immanuel approach session, but testimonies we have heard are very positive.

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**Manitoba:**

Dr. Ian Mogilevsky, C.Psych: For the past 11 years, Dr. Mogilevsky has provided psychological service from a Christian perspective to adults, children, couples, and families from Winnipeg and the surrounding Southern Manitoba region. He has been incorporating the Immanuel approach into his practice since 2008. Ian has attended a number of conferences where we have presented training regarding the Immanuel approach, and he has also studied our written material, teaching DVDs, and live session DVDs extensively. He states that he facilitates the Immanuel Approach around 5 sessions per week, with both people who ask and with those who he believes that it would help after an initial interview. He is a clinical psychologist who uses other approaches as well, such as Interpersonal Neurobiology, Cognitive-Behavioral, and Process-Experiential.” We have known Ian as a friend and colleague for several years, and perceive him to be a committed believer. We have not had the privilege of observing him facilitate an Immanuel approach session, but he has now facilitated several hundred sessions and reports consistently positive results.

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**England:**

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**PANAMA:**

John Curlin, M.D.: Dr. Curlin does not have formal mental health or ministry training (he is a retired Ob/Gyn), but he is a mature believer and a personal friend of almost ten years. He has studied our material extensively, he is consistently receiving his own healing, he has had lots of experience facilitating Immanuel approach sessions, and we have had a number of good reports with respect to effectiveness. John spends ~six months of each year in Humbolt, TN (near Jackson), and ~six months each year in Panama City, Panama.

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Peoria area: Chris Coursey?

**NOTE: Chicagoland has its own document.**

**Indiana:**

Doug Kellenberger, MA, LMHC: Mr. Kellenberger has a masters degree in counseling and is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC). We have known Doug as an acquaintance and colleague for more than seven years, and perceive him to be a committed believer. He has participated in one of our mentoring groups, has attended conferences where we presented regarding the Immanuel approach, he has studied our written and DVD material. Doug reports, "I am gaining confidence and experience to offer The Immanuel Approach more frequently in therapy when appropriate and with consent - 2 to 4 clients / week. As efficacy grows I am starting to expect results even when I don't know how it could be possible. (I am always amazed when He shows up to them.)" We have not had the privilege of observing him facilitate an Immanuel approach session, but he reports that the Lord has been releasing consistent healing through the Immanuel approach sessions he has been facilitating.

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**Kansas:**

Darrell Brazell: Pastor Brazell does not have formal mental health training, but he is a mature believer, he has studied our material extensively, and he works on his own healing as part of his ongoing journey. Darrell leads recovery groups for those who struggle with issues of sexual

integrity, and actively integrates the Immanuel approach into this work. We have known Darrell as a friend and colleague for four years, **and perceive him to be a committed believer**. We have not had the privilege of observing him facilitate an Immanuel approach session, but we have heard very encouraging testimonies. For more information regarding Pastor Brazell and his ministry, see [www.newhopelawrence.com](http://www.newhopelawrence.com).

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John Lehman, LCSW: John has a masters degree in social work (MSW) and is a licensed clinical social worker (LCSW). I have know John for 50+ years (he's my father), and know him to be a committed Christian. John is using the Immanuel approach and Theophostic® in his psychotherapy private practice, and is reporting good results. We have not had the opportunity to observe John facilitate sessions, but we have heard good reports regarding his work.

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