



# Douglas Pruiett

## Class of 1974

After graduating from CBHS in 1974, Doug went on to obtain a B.S. in Mathematics at UCF. He completed graduate studies in applied mathematics as well. He worked four years as an Aerospace Engineer with Martin-Marietta Aerospace in Orlando, then thirteen years as an Engineer with Lockheed Missiles and Space at Cape Canaveral. All seventeen years were spent in development of nuclear ballistic missiles for the Army and Navy.

After completing masters and doctoral degrees at Luther Rice Seminary and Bethany Theological Seminary, Doug entered full-time Christian ministry with Good News Jail & Prison Ministry, as Senior Chaplain at the Brevard County Detention Center (1996-2001), as Interim Senior Chaplain at the Albemarle Regional Jail (2002) in Virginia, as Senior Chaplain at the Chatham County (Georgia) Detention Center (2002-2004), and then as Assistant Vice President at the Ministry Headquarters in Richmond, Virginia (2004-present).

Doug and his wife Carla were married in 1989 and have seven children; the youngest was born in 2009. The Pruietts home school their children as well as hosting a church in their home. They live in rural Virginia, mid-way between Richmond and Charlottesville. Since moving to Virginia, Doug has discovered his family roots there and lives not far from where his GGGGG-Grandfather settled in 1699, and is near an ancestral homestead that has been continuously occupied by his relatives since 1748. Genealogy has become a family hobby as well as the study of American History. Doug and his sons, Doug, Jr. and Jefferson, are members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in honor of their eleven closest relatives who rode in the Confederate Cavalry. Doug serves as a brigade commander and chaplain. The Pruiett family is involved in historical reenactments around Virginia.



"It is amazing what the Lord has done in my life" says Doug. "I barely made it out of high school; I would say I was just passed through the system, as I was not a good student." However, providence led Doug from a life of drug use and aimlessness through a fulfilling career in aerospace and now a life of ministry. Doug was amazed that at the age of fifty, God was still adding children to his family. Doug's favorite Bible verse in this regard is Psalm 127:4, "As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them."

Doug's parents still reside in Cocoa Beach, and his children enjoy coming to visit, fish, and swim in the ocean. After nearly thirty years in the hot Florida sun, Doug and family enjoy being in the cooler woods and hills of Virginia. Virginia is the Mother of States and Statesmen, and Doug is glad to be back where his family began.



More information from Doug:

[www.goodnewsjail.org](http://www.goodnewsjail.org) (the mission organization I am serving with)

<http://homefellowship.home.comcast.net> (our home church)

[www.scv.org](http://www.scv.org) (Sons of Confederate Veterans)