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## **Profile: Rev. J. Loring Carpenter, CFRE Executive Director, Seafarer's Friend**

J. Loring Carpenter has spent over thirty-five years leading congregations and nonprofit organizations in transforming the future and funding the new vision and programs that emerge. As pastor of six congregations in transition, administrator, board member, and staff member of numerous camp and conference centers he led organizations towards a new future. As coach and consultant he leads churches and nonprofits in a wide variety of feasibility studies and capital campaigns and guide to directors and boards. He is founding member of five unique nonprofit ministries including a shelter for homeless families, a day camp, a preschool and a youth outreach ministry.

He holds a BS in Business Administration from Babson College, a Masters of Divinity from Colgate Rochester Divinity School and is a Certified Fund Raising Executive. He served as pastor of Baptist and Congregational Churches in Connecticut, New York, and Massachusetts, and as administrator of a camp and conference center. In 2004 he started Transforming Strategies to assist organizations and leaders planning and coordinating capital funds campaigns, training boards, orchestrating the strategic planning process, and improving overall development and fundraising.

He currently is Executive Director of Seafarer's Friend. Memberships include the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Christian Leadership Alliance, and the North American Maritime Ministry Association where he serves as Treasurer. He holds ministry credentials in The American Baptist Churches, USA and the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference where he serves as Chair of the Finance Committee. He has been a seminar/workshop leader for numerous national and regional groups including the CCCC and Christian Camp and Conference Association. Through Transforming Strategies he offers coaching and consultation with congregations and non-profit organizations, facilitating them in areas of organizational health, renewal, and transition, funding and stewardship development, organizational and leader development, vision casting, and strategic planning.