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Building Bridges for Dialogue

I teach at Southern Adventist University for two reasons. First, I have a passion for the amazing things that can be accomplished when Christian men and women serve others. Second, I want to connect with students so they feel free to talk with me about anything that concerns them.

Successful leadership is built on three powerful forces: *being, thinking, and doing*. I want to see young men and women learn how to integrate these forces in their lives.

What guidance can we provide Christian young people who attend Southern as they step into the fast world of global business? The guidance I seek to provide is more than training in business, though this is necessary if I expect them to earn the right to be heard in a secular economy. It means helping young men and women develop a shared language that enables them to become a bridge of dialogue between the church and the world of business.

— *After serving for four years as a pastor and more than 20 years in health-care administration, Michael E. Cafferky accepted an invitation to become assistant professor of business and management at Southern Adventist University.*

