

Ric French's Bio

After graduating from the [Naval Academy](#) in 1968 with a BS in electrical engineering, Ric reported to Pensacola, Florida for flight training and subsequent assignment to [Helicopter Attack Squadron Three](#) in Vietnam. He committed his life to Christ in July, 1969. He considers that the most significant event of his life.

For the next 20 years, Ric and his family would enjoy assignments in Florida, Virginia, Guam, and Jacksonville while his Naval career allowed them to visit 38 states and 25 foreign countries. Ric completed his Masters in Education at [University of North Florida](#) in 1986. He obtained his [Myers-Briggs Certification](#) (Ric is an [INTJ](#)) and attended New Testament Survey and Biblical Counseling courses at [Columbia International University](#). He also became a Fellow in the [Professional Photographers of America](#).

After retirement from the Navy in 1988, Ric started a software training and computer consulting company. During that time, he was certified to teach many of the popular PC software packages including Microsoft, Aldus, Adobe, WordPerfect and Novell. He also became a [Microsoft Certified Professional](#). He sold his company, [Consultech, Inc](#), in 1995 to work for [America Online](#) and open a call center in Jacksonville. He served as the lead trainer (trainer of the trainers), wrote much of the technical, management and leadership curriculum and helped start AOL call centers in [Tucson, AZ](#), [Albuquerque, NW](#), [Orem, UT](#) and [Dullas, VA](#). After retiring for a second time, Ric completed his second masters in Computer Information Resource Systems, his [A+](#) and [Project +](#) Certifications. He has taught as an adjunct for Florida Community College at Jacksonville, [Webster University](#) and [Jacksonville University](#). He is currently on the faculty of [Florida Community College at Jacksonville](#) teaching Computer Science, programming, project management, Photoshop and [Cooperative Teaching and Learning](#).

Ric serves as a disciple maker, associate dean and ministry teacher for [Campus Crusade for Christ](#) in the [Christian Discipleship Training Center](#). He is the sponsor for [Campus Crusade](#) on the [FCCJ South Campus](#). Ric and Paige have attended [Christian Family Chapel](#) for 24 years.

His wife, Dr. Paige French, was the principal of [Terry Parker High School](#). She is currently on the staff of [Campus Crusade for Christ](#). They thoroughly enjoy their married children; Jerry and Tami Logan, Ben and Randa French and Sean and Sara Barnwell. All the children and the ten grandchildren live within twenty five miles of their home in [Hidden Hills](#).

Ric is one of the founding members of the [PC Users' Group of Jacksonville](#). He expresses his creativity through teaching, photography and video production. He has won eleven international awards for desktop publishing and design. He is a member of the [National Association of Photoshop Professionals](#).