



Who We Are

Sport Officials Surrendered (S.O.S) was founded in April of 2018 by Dan & Alicia DiFolco of Olympia, WA, with a multi-tiered vision to cultivate unity throughout the sport officiating profession, rooted in faith through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

S.O.S has assembled an advisory team that includes some of the most accomplished and reputable officials across multiple sports. They include veteran NBA referee Pat Fraher, MLB crew chief Ted Barrett and NCAA basketball referee Darron George. A long-term goal of S.O.S, God-willing, is to have an official from the highest level of every sport on Team S.O.S. to give all officials a representative of their own sport to engage with.

S.O.S was founded with 6 great visions for ministry in which our fifth vision was the "Great Recruitment"-- recruiting officials. As "salt and light," we are called to invite others to experience life with us. This light and salt should inspire as well as attract. We have decided to apply Jesus' "Great Commission" to this shortage. So as Christ-following sport officials we have a duty to be the vessels in which God's power fills the void of officials in the sport world.

Referees Embracing Faith

REF Conference

The vision of Pat Fraher & Darron George, the First annual REF Conference was held in 2018. This one-day conference unites officials from across North America to worship God, fellowship, and listen to powerful Christ-centered messages from the S.O.S. advisors and guest speakers from officiating, sports, and ministry backgrounds.



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Website & Social Media

Visit our website at sportofficialssurrendered.org and follow our Facebook, Instagram & Twitter:
@sportofficialssurrendered (Facebook & Instagram)
@_SOS_Ministry (Twitter)

Partnership

Join us in our vision to unify, grow and serve the officiating profession through faith and the Gospel of Jesus!

A perfect fit for professional officials, officiating organizations, schools, camps & academics, and sports ministries.

Email us at:
sportofficialssurrendered@outlook.com

Our Mission

Following the leading of the Holy Spirit and with the Gospel of Jesus Christ being our foundation, cultivate unity among sport officials at levels of all sports, and spread the Good News of Jesus in our profession!

Engage and serve the officiating community, while holding ourselves accountable to living a life dedicated to Christ, and make ourselves known as Christ followers whose mission field is on the court, field or rink as sport officials.

Our Crew

Professional Advisors:

Pat Fraher - NBA
Darron George - NCAA D-I Men's
Ted Barrett - MLB

Operations:

Dan & Alicia DiFolco - SOS Founders
Jonathan Hodgson - Communications
Nick Donaldson - Operations Assistant



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