

## NAT COOPER

Nat Cooper, a native of Ireland, is vice president of international affairs and director of the Center for Character Development at Lubbock Christian University in Lubbock, Texas, where he also teaches.

A minister for 11 years, he's been an educator for nearly four decades, conducting more than 440 workshops on character education and business ethics and consulting organizations in 86 nations. Cooper has also worked with the court system in Lubbock County counseling families in trouble.

In 1996, at the invitation of Siberia's president of the Council of Ministers, Cooper led a group of educators in bringing CHARACTER COUNTS! to 500 schools in Siberia. There they trained teachers and administrators and helped translate the curricular materials into Russian. (They've since been translated into Spanish and Arabic.)

Cooper also is involved in efforts to bring CC! to places as diverse as Albania, Ireland, Antigua, Barbuda, Honduras, Tatarstan, Africa, Guyana, Qatar, England, Dominica, Granada, Russia [Siberia], Ukraine, and Singapore. Closer to home, he's helped make CC! a meaningful part of the coursework and activities at 123 West Texas schools. As of August 2009, the Center for Character Development has trained 12,000 public school teachers, principals, and staff members in West Texas alone.