



R E S U M E

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Preaching, Teaching & Communication

One of the first callings I received in ministry was to share the gospel. I'm dedicated to the craft of preaching and teaching formative content that inspires. As part of a preaching team, I've preached in a megachurch (5000+) and at a smaller, secondary campus (400+). I've also spent time preaching to students in both regular weekly worship services and event experiences. One of my greatest joys in life is developing and delivering actionable and encouraging material.

Discipleship, Spiritual Formation & Shepherding

It takes a lifetime to build a life and this is only the opening act. Our on-going cooperation with the Holy Spirit is the primary way we become the people we are designed and destined to become. My passion for the Spiritual Disciplines and wholistic formation has manifested in a many Small Group strategies and resources over the past 10+ years. I've served in a variety of shepherding roles corporately and individually. It's a lifelong practice of mine to lead family, staff, friends, and others into deeper devotion.

Evangelism, Outreach & Community Engagement

I sincerely believe that the gospel of Jesus' life, death and resurrection is the most beautiful and powerful truth in the universe. Only the gospel can change a heart and only the gospel can anchor a Church. The Church is called and commissioned to be actively engaged in both proclamation and demonstration. I've had opportunities to train others to share their faith and the responsibility of creating initiatives to connect with unreached and under-reached demographics. Seeing those far from God tangibly experience the love of Christ is a personal, pastoral and professional priority for me.



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I'm a passionate communicator of the gospel and a servant-leader who believes the local church is called to change the world.

Enneagram:
Social 3w2

Meyers-Briggs:
ENFJ

DiSC:
High D

Strengths Finder:
Achiever, Activator, Learner, Competition, Belief, Focus, Strategy

APEST:
Teacher-Apostle-Prophet, Evangelist-Shepherd

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE / JOB HISTORY

Church Planter, Orchard Group (Fairfield, CT)

—Lead Planter
May 2021 – Current

First Christian Church (Clinton, IL)

—Interim Lead Minister, Interim Student Minister
May 2020 – May 2021

Pastor FCC during COVID-19, preaching, leading staff, shepherding junior high and high school ministries

Eastview Christian Church (Bloomington-Normal, IL)

—Pastor, Bloomington Campus & Community Center,
January 2019 – Current

Pastor 400-500 ECC congregants; preach and host worship services as assigned; develop outreach initiatives; partner with Directors in programs

—Pastor, Director of Young Adult Ministry; May 2015 – Current

Pastor 100s of Young Adults; vision and execution of Young Adult Ministry's annual Strategic Plan; lead and shepherd the Young Adult Staff

—Pastor, Senior Director of Students and Young Adults,
February 2016 – August 2019

Supervisor to Student Ministry Pastors/Directors; oversee annual Strategic Plans; preach and teach as requested/needed

—Pastor, Director of College Ministry (Campus Church/FUEL);
May 2012 – May 2015

College Pastor to 150-200 college students; annual Strategic Plan for outreach, discipleship and residential ministries; weekly preaching and teaching; lead and shepherd Campus Ministry Staff

—Pastor, Associate Director of High School Ministry (One);
January 2009 – May 2012

Youth Pastor to 250-300 high school students; staff and resource midweek House Groups; produce Sunday worship services; preaching, teaching, and training responsibilities as assigned; develop outreach events and local/global service partnerships

—Associate Director of Eastview Student Ministry (Oasis);
August 2008 – January 2009

Part of youth ministry team; specialization in midweek House Group experiences and events for the High School students

Kanakuk Kamps (K-Klassic, Shell Knob, MO)

—Director of the Legendary Program; Summer 2008

—Kamper Kare; Mid-Level Leadership Role; Summer 2007

—Kamp Counselor; Summer 2006

Death.Resurrection.Life (DRL, Campus Ministry at Illinois Wesleyan University)

—Ministry Director/Campus Missionary; May 2006; October 2008

Intersection (Bloomington-Normal, IL)

—Teen Intersection Coordinator; Spring of 2010, 2011

Initiated and coordinated local youth groups to mobilize and unite students from various churches to love their community

—Simplicity Coordinator; Spring of 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009

Worked with various local non-profit agencies (Bloomington Daycare; Kids Club East; Boy & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal; Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Bloomington-Normal; Home Sweet Home Ministries) to coordinate service events in which local churches and campus ministries came together for a day of local outreach in the name of Jesus

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

—Power Camp Chaplain & Chapel Coordinator; Summer 2010, 2011

—Normal Community West Football Chaplain; Fall 2009 – 2011

—Illinois Wesleyan Huddle Coordinator; 2006-2008

—FCA Leadership Camp Counselor; Summer 2007

EDUCATION

Lincoln Christian Seminary, Lincoln, IL (Master of Arts, Spiritual Formation)

August 2010- August 2012

Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL (Bachelor of Arts, Biology and Religion)

August 2004 – May 2008

Lincoln Way Central High School, New Lenox, IL (diploma received)

August 2000- June 2004

REFERENCES

Mike Baker, Senior Pastor of Eastview Christian Church, Normal, IL

—Preaching Mentor (2012 – 2020)

—Direct Supervisor (2019 – 2020)

J.K. Jones, Pastor of Spiritual Formation at Eastview Christian Church, Normal, IL

—Pastoral & Personal Mentor (2010 – 2020)

Jim Probst, Executive Pastor of Ministry Development at Eastview Christian Church, Normal, IL

—Direct Supervisor (2015 – 2020)

Tyler Hari, Executive Pastor of Ministry Operations at Eastview Christian Church, Normal, IL

—Direct Supervisor (2012 – 2015)

