

## **Professional Profile**

Associate Pastor for the Church of the Nazarene for 28 years. Ministered within the structure of the local, district, and global church. For the past 8 years I have ministered at MidAmerica Nazarene University in several roles including, Dean of Campus Life Director of Summer Conferences, and adjunct professor in youth ministry.

- Teaching
  - Preaching
  - Leadership
  - Administration
  - Writing
  - Leading Mission Trips
  - Leading Retreats
  - Directing Camps
  - Seminar Leader
  - Teambuilding
  - Small Group Leader
  - Discipleship
  - Accountability
  - Project Management
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## Current Assignment

MidAmerica Nazarene University, Olathe, KS

2005 – Present

### **Dean of Campus Life (2008- 2016) & Director of Summer Conferences (2008-2013)**

#### Responsibilities:

- Advisor for the Associated Student Government
- Student Activities
- Management Land Gym (Fitness center, Commuter lounge, Land Café)
- Intramurals
- Summer Conferences
- Student Leadership Initiative

#### Tasks/Duties/Highlights:

- Mentoring Relationships with Student Government Executives (10 students)
- Project Manager for Campus Life Events, Intramurals and Summer Conferences
- Annual Land Gym yearly rental revenues in excess of \$40K
- Summer Conference revenues in excess of \$250K

### **Assistant Professor in Youth Ministry (2016 – Present)**

- Instructor in the Youth Ministry “practices class” - Programing for Youth and Family Ministry & Special Topics in Youth Ministry: National Youth Ministries Convention; Introduction to Youth and Family Ministry, Introduction to Ministry, Team Based Ministry

### **Director of The Call @ MNU (2016 – Present)**

- Youth Leadership institute funded by the Lilly Foundation, held each summer at MNU for high school juniors and seniors exploring a call to full time Christian service

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## Local Church Experience

College Church of the Nazarene, Olathe, KS

1990 - 2008

**College Pastor (1997-2008) Senior High Youth Pastor (1990-1997)**

Achievements:

- Excellence in Youth Ministry Award – Board of Youth Ministry Educators - 2006
- Lifetime Achievement Award – Youthfront (Kansas City Youth for Christ) - 2005
- Nazarene Youth International Regional Trainer (North Central) – 1998-2000
- Timothy Award – Kansas City District Church of the Nazarene - 1998
- Nazarene Youth International District President (KC District) – 1995-1997

Responsibilities:

- Pastor College Students
- Lead and Direct College Ministries – Direct supervision of 3 paid interns
- Liaison between church and MidAmerica Nazarene University
- Direct Marriage Prep Program
- Church representative for Boy Scout Troop #225

Richardson Church of the Nazarene, Richardson, TX

1985-1990

**Youth Pastor/Director of Children's Ministries**

Achievements:

- Nazarene Youth International District President (Dallas District) 1988-1990

Responsibilities:

- Pastor to Youth and Families
  - Lead and Directed Youth Ministries
  - Leadership to Lay directed Children's Ministry
  - Hiring and oversight of part time Children's Pastor
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Lake View Park Church of the Nazarene, Oklahoma City OK  
1981-1985

**Children's Pastor**

Achievements:

- Ordained Elder Church of the Nazarene - 1984
- District Children's Ministry Director (NW Oklahoma) – 1984-1985

Responsibilities:

- Pastor Children and Families
- Direct Caravan Program
- Direct Nursery Program
- Direct Children's Worship and Sunday School
- Chaplain for Lake View Academy (K-6<sup>th</sup>)

Charlotte First Church of the Nazarene, Charlotte, NC  
1980 – 81 – PT Children's Pastor

East Brewton Church of the Nazarene, East Brewton, AL  
Summer 1979 - Youth Pastor

## Education

Olivet Nazarene University, Bourbonnais, IL

**Ed. D. – Ethical Leadership**

Currently enrolled (Anticipated completion - Spring 2018)

2006 - Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO

**Master of Arts in Christian Education – *Cum Laude***

1981 - Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, TN

**B.A. – Religion (*Pre-Seminary*)**

1979 - University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

**B.A. – History (*Minor – Speech, Communication and Theater*)**

1977 - Jefferson Davis College, Brewton, AL

**A.A. – (*Student Body President – 1975-77*)**

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## Publications

“*Yes, Teens Can!*” – Resource Magazine. March/April/May 1990

“*CO-OP Card*” - Group Magazine. November/December 1992

“*Enlisting Parental Help*” – Resource Magazine. December/January/February 1992-93

“*Building a Music Resource Library*” – Resource Magazine. September/October/November 1994

“*One Homeless Night*” - Brio Magazine. July 1997

“*The Next-Door Mission: Discovering Incarnation Ministry* – Leader Guide. Beacon Hill Press: Kansas City. 1998. Contributing Author

“*The Teacher’s Journey: An Interview with Parker J. Palmer*” – YOUTHWORKER Journal. July/August 2006

“*No More Kids Stuff: An Interview with bestselling author David Elkind*” – YOUTHWORKER Journal. September/October 2007

“*Youth Ministry Trends and Issues for Church Leaders*” – YOUTHWORKER Journal. May/June 2008

*Lesson 15: Youth Ministry Discipleship: Renovation and Retreat* for the Youth Ministry Deacon Module for Nazarene Youth International – Nazarene Publishing House (2010)

**References available on request.**

## Philosophy of Ministry

Although I believe myself to be a gifted communicator, ministry for me is more than simply “talking about” God. I operate from a James 2:14ff philosophy of ministry. I strive to show my faith by what I do. Therefore, whatever I do, I endeavor to do with excellence! However, the “tasks” of ministry must never become more important than the people I serve. Simply stated, *I believe ministry is primarily about loving, inspiring, teaching, discipling, and serving **people** with excellence.*

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## Picture



Our two daughters (Kristi and Katie front row)  
Sharon and I in the middle  
Beau Weissend (Son in law married to Katie)