

Jerry McNamara

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Professional Summary

I use my strengths and experience in communication to serve and lead in a focused, fruitful way.

Qualifications

- ❖ experienced communicator and speaker
- ❖ writes with clarity
- ❖ passionate about the Gospel, people and Kingdom work
- ❖ competence in website development and SEO best practices
- ❖ Positive, respectful attitude
- ❖ comfortable with audio and video communication & modern tools
- ❖ social media proficient
- ❖ creative marketing mindset
- ❖ extensive computer skills
- ❖ fully supportive of the Texas District mission and leadership

Education

1987 Concordia University-Chicago – River Forest, IL, USA

Bachelor of Arts

English Major, History Minor

1991 Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO, USA

Masters Of Divinity

2015- Present University Of Houston-Clear Lake – Houston, TX, USA

Masters Of Business Administration (in pursuit of)

Additional Training

Training For Effective Group Leadership In Congregations

Les Stroh, trainer, through FL-GA District (1992-1993)

Church Planters Institute

LCMS/FL-GA District (1993)

Pastoral Leadership Institute

RSO LCMS (2000-2002)

Stephen Leader Training

Stephen Ministries, St. Louis (2008)

Experience

Senior Pastor, 02/2006 - present

Fishers Of Men Lutheran Church & Preschool – Sugar Land, TX

Oversaw \$4 million building program, rebranding of preschool, new website design, video course production and sermon podcast, etc.

Experience (continued)

Secretary, BOD, 07/2012 - present
LINC-Houston BOD – Houston, TX

Website Design, (2013-present)

Started a project-based small business of creating HTML5-based websites for churches and small businesses. Using Wordpress, I have done eight sites, including my own (see Portfolio) that integrate social media and have strong SEO success.

Administrative Pastor, 08/2003 - 02/2006

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church & Preschool – Cedar Park, TX

Oversaw capital stewardship campaign; writing and producing a campaign video.

Mission & Ministry Facilitator - Area C, 06/2001 - 08/2003

Texas District LCMS – San Antonio, TX

Church Planter, 5/1993 - 05/2001

Living Hope Lutheran Church & Open Arms Child Development Center (CDC) of West Cobb, Georgia (FL-GA District, LCMS) – Kennesaw, GA

First Open Arms CDC church plant to cover expenses within first year; off subsidy within three years. Spearheaded the trademarking of Open Arms and giving of that trademark to The LCMS.

Business & Mission Plan Developer, 03/1996-2010

The business and mission plan I developed for our West Cobb County, Georgia church plant (with Open Arms Child Development Center) utilized linked spreadsheets to make testing various scenarios easy to understand the impact. This responsive document was used by the Florida-Georgia District LCEF for over ten years (and may still be used in some version today—contact Richard Neubauer, recently retired Executive Director of Finance and Administration and Vice President of the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, for details)

Speaker, Great Commission Convocation (LCMS), 1997

“Church Planting & Sharing Hope With Lost People” – St. Louis, MO

Assistant Pastor-Youth & Children, 08/1991 - 05/1993

Our Savior Lutheran Church & School – Lake Worth, FL

Community Involvement

- Currently serves on a team of volunteers who devote their time to children with cancer through Baskets of Hope, a non-profit charity. Partners with current and former NFL Texans players, visiting various hospitals weekly to deliver baskets to children with serious illnesses, alongside the volunteers.
- Regular Blood Center donor (whole blood, plasma, platelets, as needed)

References

Available upon request

ePortfolio

available at jerrymcnamara.com