

ABOUT JEREMY IRWIN



ME

I grew up in the beautiful Appalachian mountains of Central Pennsylvania. I am a 40 year old Christ follower, husband, and father. I love to be active, whether hanging out with friends or enjoying some good hobbies. I enjoy the outdoors, a good Netflix binge, Penn State Football, Dr. Pepper, and Snickers. I love working with my hands, being creative, and always looking for the next adventure. A good home improvement project is right up my alley. I also enjoy classic cars and finished restoring a 1967 mustang coupe. I have a very enthusiastic, passionate, and driven personality that often gets me in deeper than I plan.



MY FAMILY

I am so blessed with the most amazing wife and partner a man could ever desire. She, without a doubt, makes me a better man, Christ follower, father, and pastor. Brooke is a southern belle from Georgia who was homeschooled by her parents (she's is mostly normal and not too weird) but her virtue as a woman is far greater than any... well, anything(Proverbs 31:10). We met at bible college where she fell madly in love with me at first sight(she may have taken some wooing). We have 3 amazing boys who keep our lives very lively. Cayson is 15, Zachary is 13, and Ashton is 11. My walk with Jesus is the most important relationship in my life and my family will always be my first ministry. When it comes to priority rating it is Jesus, Brooke, and my boys.



DEEPER LOOK

My personal mission statement is that, *I unapologetically pursue Jesus, living each day with honesty, contagious joy, courage, and compassion. I intentionally invest in those I love and embrace meaningful relationships to make an eternal impact through making genuine disciples.*

A look into me:

- I focus on building relationships & equipping people to become disciples of Jesus who will make disciples.
- I believe the local church is key in transforming communities and lives for Jesus.
- God loves and desires to be in an intimate relationship with every person no matter who they are or what they have done.
- I have a true heart for people who are far from God.
- I'm not great at everything and that I am only one piece to the puzzle.
- I can't be all things to everyone but I can be the man God has created me to be
- I believe that we all have gifts to be Jesus to people... and Jesus can be all things to all people.



BEING AN AUTHENTIC PASTOR

Over my years of ministry, I have and am learning to embrace more and more the idea of being an authentic pastor. I am probably one of the more transparent and true to myself people you will find. Probably too much so that it has backfired. Well that's what I believed at first... that being me, genuine, honest, and passionate was somehow a flaw. But it's not a flaw to be authentic to Jesus in who I am, rather it is fulfilling my purpose. Now, let me be clear, this authentic stuff isn't an excuse for not pursuing growth or accountability but rather a commitment to myself and to Jesus to never compromise the core of the created me. Imagine if some of the greats in scripture compromised themselves to the will or pressures of others... Moses, Noah, David, Daniel, Peter, Paul. I choose to pursue Jesus unapologetically as me, while allowing Him to mold me more into His likeness.

MINISTRY

When it comes to ministry I may not fit into the traditional pastor box... you heard a little about me and what I am for... That I am crazy about helping people discover God and walking with Jesus as a disciple. I am a visionary that loves to build teams that will kick the crap out of the Satan and take back territory for Jesus. I am not interested in religious rhetoric, over spiritualizing, or pharisaical groupies. I believe that my role as a lead pastor is to lead towards God's vision and purpose for the church. My gifting is very apostolic in nature to "equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" Ephesians 4:12. I am evangelist who wants every man, woman and child to hear the goodness of Jesus Christ. I'm a teacher who wants to walk with others in their faith to become disciples. I am a big dreamer, a little idealistic, with some realist mixed in. I truly do believe that we will do the works Jesus did, and "will do even greater things" not in our power, but through the power of the Holy Spirit. I believe that the latter will be greater than the former (Haggai 2:9) and the best is yet to come for me in ministry and for your church!



THE SEARCH

I am searching for the next assignment God has for me and my family to serve His church. The right fit might look like:

Vision

Simple, clear, and collaborative for the season and purpose God has for the NEXT season of your church.

Values

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| -Discipleship | -Serving sacrificially |
| -Holy Spirit Power | -Generosity |
| -Prayer | -Faith |
| -Obedience | -Sarcasm |
| -Word | -Unity |
| -Exalting/Bringing Glory | -Grace |
| -Relationships | -Works |
| -Fun | -Loyalty |
| -Excellence | -Reaching the Lost |
| -Serving the Community | -Missions |

Strategy

Simple disciple making just like Jesus -

- Win
- Build
- Equip
- Send

*Give me a white board, a red bull, and look out!

Chemistry

Do we fit together?

Is it feel like a square peg in a round hole?

Do we share in the same values?

Does our interaction come naturally?

Do we have similar interests?

Do we have kindred spirits?

Is it hard to find common ground?



Location

We are open to anything and always up for a great adventure. We think we are well suited for ministry in a town/city size between 5,000 - 30,000... though we are open to and have done ministry in much larger cities. A target size of 100,000-200,000 population within a 10mile radius area. We are looking for the opportunity to create a church legacy in a community. We love country living as we currently live on 12 acres surrounded by amish farmers... you never know when you will look out the window to see some straw hats.



Style

High-energy worship with contemporary, upbeat music that is designed to create a powerful atmosphere for connecting with God and building community. Services have engaging worship, a relevant and engaging message, and opportunities for community with the ultimate goal being the glory of God and transformation for believers and unbelievers. Engaging and relevant kids ministry and youth ministry that partner with parents. A high value on reaching and engaging our community where they are. Creative, fun, relevant, real, and excellent are great descriptors. Take a look at my past experience to gain a perspective.

1. [Crossroads Church - CLICK HERE](#)
2. [Vale Church - CLICK HERE](#)
3. [Life/Discover Church - CLICK HERE](#)

Compensation & Considerations

I love the saying that “man makes his plans and God laughs”. I have learned in ministry that Gods plan is far greater than my plan. With that said, we are open too many scenarios. We are currently debt free (aside from our house) which affords us some flexibility. My wife is a special education teacher which creates some financial stability for our family. To accept a position my wife would like/need to find a teaching position and the selling of our house. When it comes to a salary package all things are negotiable. Depending on church size and job demands we would be looking for a competitive salary base that will provide for my family.

Your Reflections

Please take time to pray and seek the Lord on whether or not we would truly be a good fit... Don't romanticize, have good intentions, or hopeful wishes. Please take the time to evaluate the direction, desire, and vision of what you all believe God wants to do next. Take a genuine inventory of the cost of the change and if you are willing to pay it. Great moves of God always comes at a cost both organizationally, individually, and personally. I have no desire to lead a church forward to a place they don't want to go and even worse, didn't count the cost before going.

I genuinely look forward to talking about the possibilities of reaching people, growing as a church, and seeing lives changed for Jesus. I truly believe that with the right people, at the right time, with the right vision, anything is possible for Jesus.

“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.”

Ephesians 3:20

More About me

Leadership Style

Collaborative

Coach

Visionary

Autocratic/Bureaucratic.

PERSONALITY

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ESTJ: The Executive - Organized, Punctual, Leaders

ESTP: The Entrepreneur - Smart, Energetic, Perceptive



Enneagram

Type 8, also known as The Challenger or The Protector, is characterized by a strong will, assertiveness, and a desire to be in control and avoid vulnerability or being harmed. They are confident, decisive, and natural leaders who champion the weak and stand against injustice. Underneath their tough exterior, they fear being powerless and controlled, and they desire to protect themselves and their loved ones. To grow, Type 8s can learn to embrace vulnerability, listen more, share their feelings, and give others a chance to take the lead.

Disc

D/I" refers to a Dominance/Influence personality type, indicating a combination of strong "D" (Dominance) and "I" (Influence) traits. This type is characterized by being bold, decisive, action-oriented, and persuasive, often taking charge in situations, leading and inspiring others, and driving towards goals with high energy and enthusiasm.

Strength Based:

Restorative

Communication

Belief

Activator
Woo

Spiritual Gifts

Leadership
Teaching
Apostelship

Preaching Style

1. Needs Based / Counselor - Tend to start with a topic or a desire to help meet a felt need.
2. Evangelistic / Inspirational - Passionate about meeting the needs of the unchurched and bringing Biblical truth to the unconvinced.
3. Expository / Bible Teacher - Tend to work through books of the Bible or start with a Biblical passage - before the idea.