# Brian Myers (with Julie) Extended Bio



# EDUCATION:

Trinity Divinity School, Deerfield, IL (M.Div., 1983)

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN (BA, 1979, double major in Philosophy Humanities) Iowa State University (1973-1975, English major)

L'Abri, Francis Schaeffer's community in Switzerland (1973)

Singapore American School (High School diploma) (1972)

# SKILLS AND PASSIONS

- A passion for the verse-by-verse exposition of Scripture as the heart of my pastoral call.
- A passion for bringing the Lord of the Word through the Word of the Lord, the Father's presence to a congregation. Having lost a father at the age of six, I've seen the fullness He can bring through our emptiness, through power perfected in weakness.
- A passion for hearing from God and unleashing his power through the Word, prayer, extended fasting, and by listening to the leadership and to the congregation.
- A quiet personality that seeks to persevere and engender trust.
- A prophet who forthtells the truth and can take difficult but necessary stands in love.
- A shepherd who seeks to lead with grace.
- A team player at heart who serves through other leadership styles as the need arises.
- A good listener and caring confronter, who seeks the only wise Counselor.
- Experience as senior pastor of churches from 100 to 1,000 in worship attendance.
- Experience with a variety of congregational situations, settings and conditions.
- Committed to connecting with God personally through the Word and prayer as the foundation for authentic ministry.

Through it all, I enjoy a seasoned partnership with my wife Julie, a lover of people who shares an equal call to ministry. We enjoy a ministerial synergy that's far richer when we're together.

## PERMANENT PASTOR EXPERIENCE

Associate Pastor: Spring Branch Community Church, Houston, Texas, 1983-1995 (Independent Bible Church, 1,000)

Senior Pastor: Mountain View Bible Fellowship, Estes Park, Colorado, 1995-2000 (Converge, 350)

*Senior Pastor*: Grace Church Roseville, Roseville, Minnesota, 2000-2005 (Independent Evangelical, 1,000)

*Senior Pastor*: Dillon Community Church, Dillon, Colorado, 2006-2012 (Village Missions, Presbyterial roots, 350)

## INTERIM PASTOR EXPERIENCE (With IPM—Interim Pastor Ministries)

First Congregational Church, Woodstock, Vermont (2016-2018) (CCCC, 100) Faith Church Loveland, Colorado (2019-2021) (EPC, 350)

#### **OTHER MINISTRIES**

Among numerous outside speaking engagements over 40 years, I was the keynote speaker for the Torchbearer's International Staff Conference in Manchester, England in 2007, for the Navigators Senior Staff Conference in 2013 in Colorado Springs, for Celebrate 2017, the Mennonite Brethren national conference for seniors in Denver, and for the upcoming Navigators Senior Staff Conference in August, 2022. (For more see www.linkedin.com/in/brian-myers-78788443)

Authored the critically acclaimed *The Upward Fall, Our Pilgrim Journey through Groaning to Glory,* forwarded by Larry Crabb (Dawson Media, 2012).

#### PERSONAL

Born:	1954 (Julie, 1961)
Health:	Excellent
Married:	1982
Family:	Three married children who are leaders in churches and ministries, five grandchildren

#### **HOBBIES AND INTERESTS**

Reading, writing, ski mountaineering, road biking, especially with my beloved.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

I'm an MK, the son of bestselling authors and Navigator missionaries, Warren and Ruth Myers. My mother led me to Christ at the age of five, whereupon, she said, I resigned as ringleader of the neighborhood gang.

I was born in Taiwan and have lived in Hong Kong, the Philippines and Singapore, where I went to High School. This has given me cultural sensitivity that has helped tremendously in ministering within the unique cultures of each church I've pastored.

Prior to entering the ministry, I had broad experience that gives me a good understanding of real people and of the work-a-day world, as a Merchant Marine Sailor, an Offshore Oil Rig Roustabout, a Lumber Yard Hand, a Commissioned Salesman, a City Directory Canvasser, a Temporary Services Secretary, and a dishwasher.

Julie and I met while I was at Trinity Seminary and she was at Trinity College in Deerfield, Illinois, majoring in Psychology and Bible. We've been an inseparable team for forty years, serving Independent Bible, Independent Evangelical, Presbyterian and Converge congregations.