

# Biographical Sketch: Michael J. Breznau

## The Journey Thus Far

By the gracious hand of God, Michael Breznau was raised in a home where Christ was exalted as Lord and the Bible was followed as God's all-sufficient and infallible Word. This consistent and Christ-centered family life served as a great catalyst to lead him into life-long service for the King. He trusted Christ as his personal Savior at the early age of 5, and has sensed God's call into full-time ministry from the time he was fifteen.

During his formative years he began to help minister in local church programs such as choir and orchestra, nursing home ministry, and young adult discipleship activities. He also started a landscape maintenance and construction company which he then managed throughout his latter high school and college years. After graduating high school he joined a Christian training and relief organization known as the Air Land Emergency Resource Team (ALERT). This venue provided him the opportunity to serve the lost and needy through circumstances such as Hurricane Katrina, as well as, disciple other young men in their cadet program.

In 2004, Michael served in a one year inner-city ministry team and training program called Eternal Vision. This team was located in the heart of Flint, Michigan and was then directed by Pastor Pierpont. In December of 2005 he received a B.A. in *Biblical Ministry* (Music and Business emphasis) from North Tennessee Bible Institute, and shortly thereafter headed off on a five-week missions trip to India. It was during this time in India that God prompted him to sell his landscape firm and obtain further ministerial training. Upon his return to the homeland he knew beyond any shadow of doubt that God desired him to lay all his ambitions and ideas into *His* loving hands, and follow the Lord into full-time ministry.

Just eight months after Michael returned from India he was accepted into the four-year *Master of Theology* (Th.M.) program at Dallas Theological Seminary, and began his studies in January of 2007. He plans to graduate next May (2011). The emphasis of his degree track is *Pastoral Ministries*, which is at the heart of how he wants to make an impact for Christ in this lost and dying world.

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## Past Ministry Experience

- Dallas Seminary Chorus & Men's Quintet: 2007 – Present.
- Itinerant Music Ministry (*Redeemer Bible Church, Dean Fellowship Bible Study, Interstate Batteries Corp., Dallas Bible Church, Hunter's Creek Community Church, etc.*): 1998 – Present.
- Security & Hospitality Coordinator, & AWANA Story-teller (*Dallas Bible Church*): 2007 – 2009.
- Spiritual Formation Group Leader (*Dallas Theological Seminary*): 2007 – 2009.
- Park Chaplain & Worship Leader (*Glacier National Park, MT*): 2008.
- Guest Evangelist/Speaker (*Dallas Center of Hope Mission*): 2008.
- Champions for Life Prison Ministry (*Huntsville, TX*): 2007
- Short-term Missionary (*Bless India Ministries, Andhra Pradesh, India*): 2005 – 2006 (5 wks).
- Evangelistic, Music, and Leadership Ministry (*Eternal Vision, Flint, MI*): 2004.

## The Journey Continued...

On June 14, 2008 he married his dear Stephanie and they began their new life together serving the Lord. Stephanie and Michael both have a passion for reaching out with the Truth of the Gospel and are overjoyed at the reality of ministering for the Savior as one. Stephanie has served the Lord through young women's ministries as well as musical training and performance. And, they are excited about using their gifts together for the praise of Christ's glorious grace. Currently, Stephanie enjoys giving private piano and vocal instruction. Just sixteen months ago a wonderful new addition to the family arrived, their little son Hudson. Their daily prayer is that their family would be a testimony of God's wondrous works: for the Lord's glory to be known and His power shown in and through their lives.

Michael has a passion to worship the risen Lord, a calling to tell others of the wondrous works of our God, and a vision for seeing the people of this world changed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He wholeheartedly believes God has the power to transform lives, break the power of sin, strengthen families, restore marriages, heal the heart, and make anyone who calls on His name a new creation.

## A Word from Michael's Heart

"I passionately desire to be used by God to stem the tide of worldliness, apathy and complacency that is so prevalent in the lives of young men and women across our Country. I envision a day when thousands of young adults all across North America will come to the realization that the life of faith which is found in Jesus is the most exciting life they could possibly live. I desire to impart and instill the truths that are found in God's Word to young adults who desire to deepen their relationship with the Savior, but lack guidance or support."

"I long to make disciples and pray for their lives to be changed, hearts to be transformed, minds renewed and families restored. We know that in a society, young men hold the power to either destroy or build-up, and my heart's desire is that we would see the power of the Holy Spirit change many young men into builders for the kingdom of God."



Michael, Stephanie, and Hudson Breznau

"My prayer is that these disciples would build each other up in the faith and encourage one another in godly behavior and spiritual maturity. I pray that God would give them a vision to do great exploits (Daniel 11:32) for Him through the demonstration of His Spirit and power (1 Cor 2:4). I see a day when these disciplined men and women will then in turn repeat the process they went through and disciple many more individuals. I believe that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, God will exponentially bless our efforts and many will come to the saving knowledge of His Son Jesus Christ. In whatever facet of ministry I am involved in, I desire to disciple, inspire to live a life of worship, and exhort the brethren towards faithfulness and Biblical evangelism."

*One of Michael's life verses:*

***"Now the just shall live by faith..."***

*(Heb. 10:38; Hab. 2:4; Rom. 1:17; Gal 3:11)*

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