

David Edward Berryhill

MISSION:

I was saved at the age of 8 at Seventh & Main Baptist Church in Bonham, Texas. I was called into ministry when I was 12 at Lake Lavon Baptist Encampment. I gave the Lord my future and my music from that moment on. While attending college, God gave me an incredible wife, Heather, and our journey so far has been nothing short of an adventure. We have 2 amazing sons- Harrison (15) and Hayden (8).

Nothing brings me more joy or satisfaction than seeing people encounter God's presence and walk away changed or challenged in some way. It is my desire to bring excellence, passion and organization to whatever capacity God uses me. Whether I am leading worship, mentoring leaders, directing a choir, teaching a class or visiting someone in need, I know that my first call is always to serve and love the Body of Christ.

My philosophy of worship is simple: Create an environment where everyone can come to the table and connect with God. You can be relevant and embrace your heritage simultaneously. Every generation should have the opportunity to experience the presence of God and worship Him regardless of musical tastes and preference. God looks at the heart and the motive. I have had a long history of bringing people together. I have learned that where there is unity, you will find God's blessings.

EXPERIENCE: 20 years of full time ministry experience

- *Leader of adult and youth worship ministries
- *Mentoring, development & training of the worship department & teams
- *Leader of adult and youth choirs
- *Directed seasonal orchestras
- *Directed, created & arranged Fine Arts productions
- *Hosted annual worship conferences
- *Hosted & executed various Christian concerts (Tim Hawkins, Kari Jobe, Natalie Grant, Dennis Jernigan, 4 Him, Dallas Holm, Jason Upton, Jared Anderson, Paul Baloche)
- *Leader of Young Families ministries
- *Leader of Small groups

Served at First Baptist Church, Kilgore during college years as
Worship & Celebration Choir accompanist/organist
Directed College Ensemble & Youth Choir
Youth Worship Leader
Student Ministry Intern (Summer 1993)

EDUCATION:

May, 1994- Bachelor's Degree in Sacred Music with a dual piano/vocal Minor from East Texas Baptist University; also completed additional requirements & course work for ministry program

May, 1991- Completed required course work from Kilgore Junior College

May, 1988- Honor Graduate of West Rusk High School

Licensed (1991) & Ordained (1995) as a Minister of the Gospel

HONORS (highlights):

College:

Who's Who Among Colleges & Universities
Academic Dean's List
Mr. Kilgore College 1990-1991
Outstanding Performance Award at the Vienna Youth & Music Festival (1991)
Full scholarship recipient at ETBU & Kilgore College
Voice of the Kilgore College Rangerettes (1989-1991)

High School:

National Honors Society
Beta Club
Who's Who In Music
John Phillip Sousa Award
Student Council President (Sr.)
Drum Major (Sr.)
Gold Medalist- UIL State Solo Piano Competition