



Jonathan Hayashi

PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

About the Family

I became a Christian at age 16 when I heard and responded to the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ. I earned my Bachelor of Arts degree from Moody Bible Institute with a double concentration in pastoral ministry and biblical studies, a Master of Arts degree in congregational leadership from Moody Theological Seminary and a Doctorate of Educational Ministry degree in biblical counseling from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

I have assisted in Southern Baptist life in various local, state and national roles. I presently serve on the executive committee at Southwest Baptist University (Bolivar, Mo.) and on the board of trustees at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

My wife, Kennedi, and I have four children: Kaede, Seiji, Anna and Ren.

About My Ministry

I am an SBC-endorsed disaster relief chaplain with the Missouri Baptist Convention. I have served as senior pastor at Northern Hills Baptist Church in Holt, Mo., as worship pastor at Troy First Baptist Church in Troy, Mo., and as assistant pastor at Uptown Baptist Church in Chicago, Ill.

I am a contributor to the bi-weekly journal, "Pathway" (Missouri Baptist Convention). I also served as a commissioner for the Missouri Commission of Human Rights and was the vice chairman for 2021. I have been fortunate to publish articles for various websites, several scholarly journal articles, a book review and my doctoral dissertation. I am the author of "Ordinary Radicals: A Return to Christ-Centered Discipleship" and "Making Lemonade: Turning Past Failures into Gospel Opportunities."



Find out how you can

Pray.

Participate.

Provide.

PRAY.

Pray for boldness to share the gospel and open hearts among the people to whom I minister.
Pray people will come to saving faith in Jesus
Pray more people will become missionaries and chaplains.

PARTICIPATE

Commit to long-term prayer support. Explore the opportunities to extend the reach of your church by becoming a chaplain. Be involved in supporting chaplains and their families. Send notes of encouragement. Talk with a chaplain about his or her ministry context. Send resources that support a chaplain's ministry context. Pray for chaplains and their families.

PROVIDE

Learn the church plant, its strategy and context, so you can provide relevant resources.
Support a church planter financially.