



SEND Network



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CANVAS CHURCH (OAK BAY)

# About the Family

Sarah and I have been married since 2013 and have three amazing boys: Everett, Luca and Finley. I grew up in Canada, and Sarah grew up in Atlanta, Ga. We met while I was on staff at First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Ga.

We both come from families with ministry backgrounds and have each felt a clear call of God on our lives to ministry as part of that continued story.

## About My Church Plant

I served on staff at First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Ga., for almost eight years as their college and young adults minister before feeling God's call to plant a church in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. Along the way, I have also had opportunities to speak as an itinerant preacher with Blackaby Ministries International ([blackaby.net](http://blackaby.net)) and have authored two books with my brother.

In 2017, I began to sense God stirring my heart toward a new ministry. As I began to pray specifically about what He might want me to do next, the pieces began to fall into place for church planting. As a Canadian citizen, my heart has always been broken for the spiritual need in Canada. Slowly, God began to draw both my wife and me to the west coast of Canada to be involved in a story much bigger than we could see!

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**Pray.**  
**Participate.**  
**Provide.**

### PRAY

As we serve in the Oak Bay area of Victoria, we will come in contact with many who see no need for God in their lives. They are wealthy and live in one of the most beautiful places on earth. Pray that God would show them their deep spiritual need for a relationship with Him.

Pray that God would move on the University of Victoria campus, that we might see opportunities there for a strong ministry among students.

Pray that God would raise up others who would feel His call to join us in ministry on Vancouver Island.

Pray that we might see many churches planted across Vancouver Island in the years to come.

### PARTICIPATE

Please email us at [mike@canvaschurch.ca](mailto:mike@canvaschurch.ca) to receive a prayer card from us. Also, email us to find out how you and/or your church can partner with us either by coming to help or giving financially to a project or a need. You can visit our online church planting prospectus at [canvasoakbayprospectus.com](http://canvasoakbayprospectus.com) for more info.

### PROVIDE

Many missionaries build a team to join their ministry in prayer, participation, and provision. These friends, family and churches support missionaries beyond the tithes and offerings given within the church plant. Visit [sendnetwork.com/PlanterFunding](http://sendnetwork.com/PlanterFunding) for NAMB's policy on providing for church plants.

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