

MEET OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR CANDIDATE

Tim grew up in an unbelieving home. He gave his life to the Lord after encountering and becoming involved in Cru (Campus Crusade). It was through intentional discipleship and The Word of God that Tim was brought to his knees before the cross. After one year of discipleship, he traveled to the Middle East for a summer. Upon returning to the states, Tim decided to pursue Bible education and go into full time ministry.

Gabrielle grew up in Silverton and her family attended Silverton First Baptist. It was her family's dedication to the Lord and involvement in many different youth ministries that helped shaped her love for the Lord and for full-time ministry. Tim and Gabrielle met in Wisconsin at New Tribes Bible Institute (now called Ethnos 360). Both attended because of their passion for cross cultural missions and graduated in 2013.

After they married, Tim and Gabrielle served together overseas for a brief summer in the Middle East. Upon returning to Wisconsin, they joined a missions organization that worked at cross cultural church planting, training, and mobilizing the American church to reach Muslim neighbors living in the US. During this time, they worked primarily with Muslim refugees doing humanitarian work as well as disciple making and counseling. After serving for three years in this ministry, the Lord called Tim to pursue further education. They then moved to Chicago to attend Moody Bible institute. Then the global pandemic hit and despite classes going virtual, Tim completed his bachelor's in church leadership with a minor in Biblical Languages.



After seeing the hardships and disunity within the American church during a global pandemic, they felt a tug on their hearts to pursue pastoral ministry. In 2022, Tim became an associate pastor at a small church in Wisconsin. Tim also teaches at Ethnos360 Bible Institute as an adjunct faculty member. His role as pastor was primarily discipleship and spiritual development for the church. Writing curriculum, providing classes, and equipping the current and coming generations to walk with and worship the living God. Tim continues his education, pursuing a master's in Biblical Counseling.

Tim and Gabrielle have been married for 12 years and the Lord has blessed them with two daughters, Eden (age 5) and Jubilee (age 3) and they are expecting a baby boy this Thanksgiving. Some things they enjoy are biking, kayaking, coffee, board games, golf, disc golf, sewing and much more!

JOIN US SEPTEMBER 14!

Join us for our morning worship service at 10:30am to hear Pastor Tim Bennett preach from God's word. Then, please join us after service for a time to get to know Tim and Gaby. We will have a Q&A and a church family lunch. If you would like to submit a question for the Q&A, use the QR code or visit



<https://silvertontfirst.breezechms.com/form/9ffb6a>. Please be aware that we may not have time to ask every question that is submitted.

SPECIAL MEMBER MEETING, SEPT. 16

Following the Bennetts visit, we will hold a meeting for all church members at 6:30pm on Tuesday evening, September 16. The elders will announce if they have decided to endorse Tim as our next Associate Pastor and, if so, we will have a congregational affirmation vote.