

# Chris Calvert

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**Authentic**  
**Strategic**  
**Equipper**  
**Teacher**  
**Team builder**  
**Connector**  
**Mentor**  
**Pastor**

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## Best Fit

My experience in teaching and senior leadership provides a strong foundation for serving as a lead pastor of a mid-to-large-sized church or as an executive/senior associate of a church of a larger local congregation.

## Professional Summary

Proven executive-level Christian leader in the areas of strategic planning, organizational development, discipleship pathways, teaching, equipping, staff oversight, and training

## Experience

### The Bridge Evangelical Free Church (1,500+) 2010-2019

[thebridgefresno.com](http://thebridgefresno.com)

Fresno, CA  
*Executive Pastor*

- ♦ Led and trained **staff** of 40 to accomplish church-wide ministry objectives
- ♦ Envisioned and implemented a new **family-ministry paradigm** resulting in a doubling of Children's Ministry participation
- ♦ Focused staff and volunteer teams around key **discipleship priorities** resulting in several hundred people putting their trust in Christ, being baptized, and connecting with the church
- ♦ Oversaw **annual budgets/expenditures/audits** of up to \$3,000,000
- ♦ Oversaw **church operations**, including office management and six facility renovation projects
- ♦ Created and taught **leadership development** training courses to over 40 emerging leaders
- ♦ Filled both the **Executive Pastor and Lead Pastor** roles during a two and a half year search for a new Lead Pastor
- ♦ Supported **Spanish-Language** and **Deaf Congregations** within the Bridge Church
- ♦ Led Board and staff through annual **strategic goal-setting** and ministry alignment process
- ♦ Directed church-wide **spiritual-growth** campaign with over 1200 participants

### Memorial Bible Church (700+) 1994–2010

[mbcyakima.com](http://mbcyakima.com)

Yakima, WA  
*Associate Pastor*

- ♦ Envisioned and implemented a **discipleship process** that encouraged the growth of the congregation from 250 to over 700
- ♦ Oversaw the vetting, hiring, reviewing, and releasing of **staff members**
- ♦ Reinvisioned and implemented new local and global **outreach** approaches and teams
- ♦ Led church-wide programming/facility **strategic planning** process
- ♦ Filled many aspects of the **senior pastor role** because the senior pastor lost his voice early in my tenure

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## Education

Th.M. — Dallas Theological Seminary (*cum laude*)  
B.A./Ed. — Eastern Washington University

## Skills

Teacher and Trainer	Strategic/Analytical Thinker	Problem Solver	Equipper/Mentor
Execution/Implementor	Leadership Development	Pastoral Care	Evangelism

## Background

Growing up in a Christian home in Spokane, Washington, I put my faith in Christ as a young boy. Over the years I reaffirmed my commitment to Christ through rededications and ongoing discipleship in my local church. I began to sense a call to ministry during my college years. After working a couple of years in the tele-communications industry, I attended Dallas Seminary, where I met Michele, who graduated from there with a degree in Christian Education. Shortly after graduation, we married. I've been fortunate to serve in two long-term pastorates, where the Lord has used and sharpened my ministry skills and given me a pastor's heart for those under my leadership.

## Family

*(L to R) Connor is studying geology during his junior year at Fresno State. Chris—Michele and I are celebrating 26 years of marriage this year. Cady graduated from Fresno State in May. She is now studying at Capernwray Bible School in England. Michele works part-time for both a water brokerage company and a local engineering firm. Charis works full-time at the same engineering firm.*



## Leadership Assessments

- ♦ **DISC**—Dominance, Steadiness, Influencer, Conscientiousness  
(Focuses on the task at hand in a steady, relational fashion)
- ♦ **Strengths Finder**— Harmony, Belief, Responsibility, Significance, Focus  
(Encourages cooperation while taking his own responsibilities seriously)
- ♦ **Myers-Briggs**— ESTJ: The Executive; ISTJ: The Logician (Internal/External split)  
(Excels in providing practical solutions through advance thought and planning)
- ♦ **Enneagram**—9w8  
(Cares about people while getting things done)

## Hobbies

During my free time, I love spending time with Michele and the kids. I also enjoy working on house projects, traveling, hiking, camping, climbing, kayaking, and reading.

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