

# Pastor Dillon Evans

## For His Glory

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### About Me

I am a 40-year old Senior Pastor with 10 years of ministry experience, 7 of those years as a Senior Pastor leading and inspiring people to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Passion for preaching God's Word and for developing people to utilize their God-given spiritual gifts. My philosophy is to Preach the Gospel and Love the People. I am a spiritually gifted teacher, who can unite people for the cause of Christ.

I have been married for 20 years to the love of my life Nina. We are a true team in ministry. We have one daughter Gabriella who is truly a gift from our Lord. I am a tech geek and avid reader. My wife is a prayer warrior, teacher, and has a compassionate heart, and loves to help people. Our daughter loves karate and is a black belt. She dreams of opening a bakery with her mom.

### Experience

Senior Pastor 2018 - present  
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Led the church through a season of change. This included giving a vision for a future for the church after it left the Mennonite USA denomination due to the compromise of God's Word. This involved looking within to see what God has done with the church in the past. Looking ahead to the continued mission of the local church and how we must adapt and reform to be faithful to God in reaching the community. Part of this included changing the name of the church as it was a big barrier to reaching the community. At the beginning of 2020, we began the discussion of the name change with the congregation. While this type of change is always difficult, especially with nearly 120 years of tradition behind the current name, the name Protection Mennonite Church was laid to the side for the sake of the Glory of God and the need for the gospel to penetrate the community. We have launched several ministries and the focus of the church remains on Knowing Christ and making Christ known. This is done through the preaching of the gospel, Bible studies, prayer meetings, and outreach to our rural community.

During this time we also had a successful building campaign in excess of 40% of the annual budget that was able to be raised during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic. Part of this campaign included a roof replacement, a new sign updated to reflect the new name, a camera system, updated sound both, and new equipment including PC, video streaming equipment, and software, replacing the projector system with large wall-mounted monitors.

This has allowed us during Covid and after to stream every service to our local community, in addition, I developed the website and social media presence that has seen our church services being viewed in over 14 states and 11 countries. Along with the website, we incorporated online giving which has given the overall tithing increase by over 20%, the vast majority of this increase has been from those who watch online from outside of the immediate area.

I also helped lead the community and other churches and pastors doing virtual services during this time including a 3-day virtual community service since we were unable to meet for Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday.

During this time I was nominated as the President of the Ministerial Alliance in Protection, KS. This entails the leadership of the four churches in Protection, the identification of ways to help reach the community with events that bring the churches together.

Senior Pastor 2015 - 2018

### Skills

Teaching



Preaching



Administration



Mercy



Leadership





## New Hope Baptist Church

In my time at New Hope God used my family to bring healing to a severely divided church. They had been through a very painful time where the previous pastor caused division by trying to take over the church and have the current lay leadership replaced. The church with me as the under-shepherd had an increase of nearly 100 percent in membership. We launched a midweek Bible study and prayer service. We also started a youth ministry and transformed the evening service from a time of a simple sermon to a time where we go deeper into the Word with a focus on developing the members as disciples.

In the first two years, the church went from having no baptisms in decades to being one of the leading baptizing churches in the state. We have actively engaged in working with parachurch ministries to impact the youth and outcasts in the community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ including sponsoring Christian youth baseball teams and providing opening day outreach through food, prayer, and invitations. We expanded VBS during our time and now are leading the church in the community in sharing the gospel through VBS.

The church was also hit very hard during this time with key leaders being brought home to glory. There were several that were dealing with cancer and had never had pastoral care and hospital visits, we implemented a visitation and care program that enabled many to see the love of Christ in the most difficult of times. The church also had a deacon family living in sin and leadership up to that point wasn't willing to address it. I led the family and the church in church discipline, sadly we had to bring them before the church and that was very difficult as the church had never enacted discipline on any member in its 50-year history. I am happy to report that the family after a time away has sought reconciliation and the church rightly showed grace to them.

I have also updated the church to a mixed style of music during worship, this was a long journey but we were able to show it's now the style but the content, worship must reveal to us what God has done for us and needs to generate in us a proper and reverent response. I used my background with technology to also launch a website and social media ministry for the church that has caused growth because many prefer to listen to a sermon before taking a chance on a church.

We have recently launched a small groups ministry focusing on going deeper in the Word and in fellowship. I have had many pastors and regional ministers visit the church and genuinely say it is one of the most friendly and welcoming churches they have ever been a part of. I have been utilized as a conference speaker by my local association's yearly conference. I was ordained in Gospel Ministry at New Hope Baptist Church in Association with the Southern Baptist Conference on March 12th, 2017.

## Senior Technical Analyst

2002 - 2017

Blue Cross of IL

### Job Responsibilities

- Assist end users with technical issues involving computer hardware and software
- Handle all Director level and above incidents/requests at my site
- Manage business printing fleet including vendor management
- Photo, Video & Audio Editing
- Managed System Access
- Effectively troubleshoot, learn and practice safeguarding future networking issues.
- Perform Window installs/upgrades
- Effectively troubleshoot end-user incident tickets.
- Effectively working with vendors and third parties.
- Project lead for several major IT projects.
- Team lead on major parent incidents affecting business production.
- IT emergency response team during after-hours support.

## Education

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Ph.D. Biblical Studies

2020 -

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

In Progress (2023)

Emphasis on Historical Theology

Master of Divinity - M.Div

2012 - 2015



## Sioux Falls Seminary

General Pastoral Concentration

Advanced Biblical Studies Certificate

2011 - 2012

## Moody Bible Institute

This includes a total of 7 certificates

## Languages

Biblical Hebrew



Exegetical Proficiency

Koine Greek



Exegetical Proficiency

## Certifications

- Microsoft Master Certification in Office
  - This includes expert certifications in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access.
  - Adobe Creative Cloud including Premiere Pro, Photoshop, and Flash.

## Ordination

Ordained with New Hope Baptist Church (SBC) in 2017.

## Sermons

Recent Sermon Selections. All sermons available at <https://sermons.faithlife.com/profile/dillonevans>



Resurrection Sunday 2021.. Good Friday Community W. We Are The Church: The W.

## References

Available upon request.