

## My Bio & Contact Information

### Rev. Dr. Marcus J. Carlson

#### Bio

Beloved child of God. Jesus Follower. Dad. Theologian. Social Scientist. Connector. Pastor. Professor. Non-Profit Leader. Author. Speaker. Consultant. Instigator. Discerner. Marcus is an ordained Lutheran Pastor in LCMC (Lutheran Churches in Mission for Christ). He currently serves as Executive Director of Preparing for Amazement Ministries in Garrett, Indiana. Marcus has served in children's, youth, family, associate pastor, and senior pastor capacities for 20 years in variety of church settings. Marcus has been a professor for over 8 years, teaching for Toccoa Falls, Sioux Falls Seminary, Southwestern College, Pikes Peak Community College and other organizations. Marcus also owns a small business which includes a hobby farm. Marcus earned a Bachelors Degree from Eastern University in Youth Ministries with minors in leadership, psychology and theology. He earned a Masters of Theology from Fuller Seminary with a concentration in youth & family ministry. Marcus completed an MDiv. equivalent at Iliff School of Theology and completed half a Masters in Counseling from Liberty University before taking a break to focus on my Doctorate. Marcus earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Fuller Theological Seminary. His doctorate was interdisciplinary in nature focusing on leadership, theology, leading change, practical theology, child and adolescent development and family ministry among other things. Marcus also have done extensive research in generational understanding and post misconduct leadership, particularly in church and religious settings.

Marcus has been married to his high school sweetheart Jessica for over 17 years and they have two children, our son Micah (15) and our daughter Abigail (13). Rounding out our family (with 10 acres in the country) are our two dogs, 4 house cats, 2 barn cats, 2 outdoor farm cats, chickens, outdoor rabbits and beehives. Marcus loves to spend time with his family, travel, read, hike, and share a cup of coffee and conversation. Marcus is very involved in his community serving and having served various non-profits, local school boards, other educational organizations, and other volunteer efforts. Marcus' personal mission statement is to help others experience transformation through Jesus Christ. He is thankful for this abundant life that God has given him. You can learn more about him at [www.revdrorange.com](http://www.revdrorange.com).

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