



Biographical Sketch

Name: Bryan Tanner

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Born in Richland, Washington, on October 15, 1983, Bryan asked Jesus to save him during Vacation Bible School the summer before third grade. He continued going to church and growing spiritually, until he moved to Kansas and then Texas with his father. In his new home environment, Bryan grew away from the Lord. He continued backsliding, even after moving back to Washington State to live with his mother in middle school. After high school graduation Bryan enlisted in the Navy. The Lord got ahold of his heart again during a church service in Lemon Grove, California. He rededicated his life to serving God and began to read the Bible and learn as much as he could.

After an honorable discharge from the Navy, Bryan began his college education. He graduated from Bellevue Community College with an associate degree and continued his education at Washington State University. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration with an emphasis in management and operations.

Bryan is married to Lisa Tanner of Valley, Washington. They were married on March 13, 2003. They have nine children, Jayme, Owen, Jeffrey, Ellie, Sydney, Simon, Brynna, Bryson, and Tyler.

Bryan and Lisa have known for over a decade that God wanted them in full-time service in some way. They continued growing in their Christian walk and serving faithfully in their local church while waiting on God to direct. After listening to Ron Hemsworth present the field of Missionary Acres twice at his home church, Bryan's heart was moved. He took a survey trip shortly after and knew this was the ministry God had been equipping his family to serve in.

Bryan has a variety of work experiences, uniquely preparing him to serve at Missionary Acres. In the Navy, he was an Aviation Electrician's Mate. Additionally, he has worked in the quick lube industry, and worked his way up to a manager position in the telecom industry. Bryan is currently a service writer for a small auto repair shop. Throughout his life he has worked on many construction projects. These skills will be used for God at Missionary Acres. Bryan and his family will help with maintenance, construction, organization, and provide much needed general labor. Additionally, they will encourage the respected heroes of the faith who live on the Acres and be involved in helping the church on site, Evangel Baptist Church, reach the lost people of the Ozarks.