

AARON BROWN

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PURPOSE: Providing strategic leadership and development to organizations that advance the Kingdom of Jesus through inspiring content, formative relationships, justice focused programing, and spiritual growth.

EXPERIENCE

DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND PROGRAMS, 70X7 LIFE RECOVERY, HOLLAND MI. 2025 – PRESENT ([LINK](#))

- Lead a staff team that provides programs, housing and support for returning citizens after incarceration
- Oversee strategic partnerships and state contracts that advance our mission

PASTOR & NETWORK LEADER, THE WAY MICROCHURCHES, GRAND RAPIDS MI. 2025 – PRESENT ([LINK](#))

- Provide collaborative Pastoral oversight to a network of nine micro-churches in Michigan and Florida
- Commissioned Pastor in The Vineyard movement, and lead a micro-church in Saugatuck, Michigan

LEAD PASTOR / MISSIONS PASTOR, RIDGE POINT COMMUNITY CHURCH, HOLLAND MI. 2012 – 2025

- Four years leading a local and global missions department that served 2500 members and 10 partners
- Nine years focused on planting a local church in the community of Saugatuck, MI
- Oversaw leadership residency and served on the Senior Leadership Team

PROGRAM DIRECTOR / OTHER, BEECHPOINT CHRISTIAN CAMP, ALLEGAN MI. 2000 – 2012

- Oversaw all programming for children from under-resourced urban & rural communities
- Hired, trained, and managed all seasonal staff (40+), resulting in effective ministry

EDUCATION

B.S. IN BIBLICAL STUDIES & MINISTRY, CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY, GRAND RAPIDS, MI. 2004 – 2008

- Minor emphasis in philosophy
- Certifications in corporate group coaching and recovery coaching

SKILLS

- Lead teacher and visionary for local church
- Staff team hiring, training, and management
- Writing sermons, articles, and study material
- Public relations during a season of high media attention
- Operational oversight for an event center
- Capital Campaign Execution Team Member (\$15m)
- Fundraising for personal missionary support
- Management of annual program budget (\$550k)
- Volunteer program development & leadership
- Social media marketing and website management

ACTIVITIES

I am passionate about ministry strategy and non-profit impact. In addition to the ministries that I've given my primary focus to, I've also been blessed to serve on the Board of Directors for 70x7 Life Recovery (2012-2014), Camp Beechpoint (2019-2025), and Imago Dance Academy (2022-2025). These organizations' commitment to justice inspires me!

We are an interracial family that has grown through adoption. We enjoy camping, boating, hiking, movies, and board games. We are active in our community and passionate about making the world a truer reflection of God's original intention for creation. As much as we're able, we live to make the realities of heaven more present on earth.