

## **DR. MICHE ILANA VAN ESSEN**

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### **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- Collaborative Leadership
- Community Building
- Discipleship Formation
- Spiritual Development
- Operations Strategy
- Budget & Financial Management
- Team Leadership & Staff Development
- Change Management

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **THE RESONANCE**

##### **Senior Partner/Management Consultant | 2019 – Present**

- Design and implement scalable spiritual formation systems for growing faith communities
- Collaborate with ministry leaders to develop comprehensive discipleship frameworks
- Create and execute standard operating procedures for organizational efficiency
- Foster environments that nurture spiritual growth and lifelong formation
- Serve as fractional leader:

#### ***TRANSMISSION MINISTRY COLLECTIVE***

##### **Director of Operations | 2023 – Present**

- Drove 150% revenue growth through strategic operational improvements and KPI implementation
- Developed intergenerational ministry programs that deepened community engagement
- Facilitated training programs for lay and ordained leaders in ministry development

#### ***THE TABLE CHURCH DC***

##### **Director of Administration & Communication | 2022 – 2024**

- Successfully managed merger operations between two congregations
- Led comprehensive organizational audit and system optimization
- Designed and implemented discipleship frameworks for faith community growth

#### ***INDEPENDENT BIBLE CHURCH***

##### **Pastor | 2020 – 2021**

- Directed and worked together with over 60 volunteers and 12 staff members
- Restructured and trained kids and youth ministry staff and volunteers
- Empowered lay leaders to develop and implement discipleship initiatives

#### **VES**

##### **UX Designer | 2013 – 2019**

- Responsible for user research and development of new products, services, and brands
- Implemented Enterprise CRM & LMS solutions for recruiting, training, and development
- Gently implemented change throughout clients organizations without jeopardizing productivity
- Trained leadership, staff, and volunteers with best practices and new systems

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### **OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

- **HARVEST BIBLE CHAPEL**  
Worship Leader | 2017 – 2020
- **BETH EMETH**  
Youth Director | 2004 – 2012
- **FAREL COLLEGE/CALVIJN COLLEGE (THE NETHERLANDS)**  
History Teacher/Board Member | 2006 – 2012

### **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Ministry, Leadership. Pacific School of Religion (Berkeley, CA), 2022-2024

Master of Arts in Global Leadership. Fuller Seminary (Pasadena, CA), 2020-2022

Jewish Liturgy. Levisson Instituut (Amsterdam, The Netherlands) 2007-2009

### **COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE**

Stonewall Sports RVA - Director of Administration and Communications (current)

LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce - Member (current)

Blackout Trafficking - Chair

Fuller Theological Seminary - Fuller's Jewish Voice Representative

Reset180 - Communications, Web & Graphics

### **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

Operations & Project Management: Salesforce, Asana, Monday, Clickup, Hubspot

Financial Management: Quickbooks, Excel, Zipbooks, ABP, Bamboo, OnPay

Learning Management: Canvas, Kajabi, Thinkific

Community Management: Circle.so, Mighty Networks

Creative Suite: Adobe Creative Cloud (Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere, After Effects)

### **REFERENCES**

Jen Pool - Senior partner at the Resonance - +1 (703) 254-9010

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