Having felt an earnest call to ministry since college, I have been preparing for both foreign missions and domestic church ministry through internship opportunities, academic study, voracious reading, intense dialog, and a foray into electronic publishing while simultaneously pursuing a career in software development. Although my primary focus has been church health, including church planting and church strengthening, I have also been gifted in personal counseling and have experience in adoption ministry. I hope to transition into vocational ministry upon completion of my M.Div.

I affirm the [Abstract of Principles](http://www.founders.org/abstract.html), the [Baptist Faith and Message 2000](http://www.sbc.net/bfm/bfm2000.asp), the [Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy](http://library.dts.edu/Pages/TL/Special/ICBI_1.pdf), and the [Danvers Statement on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood](http://cbmw.org/uncategorized/the-danvers-statement/).

# Education

##### Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary | Wake Forest, North Carolina

Currently pursuing *Master of Divinity in Christian Ministry* Anticipated graduation: December 2014  
GPA: 4.0

##### Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary | Fort Worth, Texas

Coursework toward *Master of Divinity in Missions* 2009 – 2011  
GPA: 4.0+

##### Texas A&M University | College Station, Texas

*Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering* May 2007  
GPA: 4.0, *summa cum laude*

# Relevant Experience

##### Pillar on the Rock | Ecclesiological Online Magazine

*Co-founder and Editor*, [www.pillarontherock.com](http://www.pillarontherock.com) 2009 – 2011

Wrote and edited articles promoting healthy local churches:

* Article reprinted in B&H book, [*Preach: Theology Meets Practice*](http://www.amazon.com/dp/1433673177/?tag=vernonking-20), by Mark Dever and Greg Gilbert
* Edited 100+ articles; Authored 50+ articles ([www.pillarontherock.com/search/label/PJ King](http://www.pillarontherock.com/search/label/PJ%20King))
* Grew the writing team to include six authors

##### New Song Church | Windhoek, Namibia

*Missionary Intern* May 2007 – August 2007

Residential intern with an IMB missionary church and youth ministry:

* Assisted in the leadership and administration of a 150+ youth outreach program
* Helped host two American short-term mission teams for two weeks each
* Provided technical support for church, youth ministries, and camp

# Professional History

##### Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary | Wake Forest, North Carolina

*Software Developer* May 2013 – Present

##### FTS International | Fort Worth, Texas

*Lead Software Developer* May 2011 – January 2013

##### Deloitte Consulting | Dallas, Texas

*Software Consultant*, Homeland SecurityJanuary 2011 – May 2011

##### FIS | Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

*Senior Programmer Analyst* October 2009 – November 2010 *Programmer Analyst II* September 2007 – October 2009

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