

# Brent Wale



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A personal introduction with me and my family, example sermons, and my testimony may be found at [brentwale.com](http://brentwale.com).

## Objective:

- 🎯 I desire to serve as a Pastor to reveal the Father to His people and to lead by creating leaders. Part of my goal is to help all recognize their God-given gifts and live their life in wholeness. I desire to be part of a Holy Spirit led, biblically based community where I can serve and belong.

## Professional Summary

- 👤 I'm an energetic, non-denominational pastor with 20 years of experience in both large and small churches. I believe real ministry starts with a genuine encounter with Jesus, infilling of the Holy Spirit, and reinforced by one-on-one discipleship and mentoring. My typical leadership style/strategy involves building strong leadership and delegating ministry as a team. With God's help, I have been able to accomplish this successfully through years of leadership experience.

## Summary of Skills and Qualifications:



- **Speaking/Preaching** - Preaching and public speaking is a strong suit.



- **Discipleship and Leadership Development** - I have implemented and discipled in almost every leadership role of a church; from youth and children church leaders, to hospitality teams and foreign/local missions.



- **Church Management** – My role in the church has also included software setup, training, implementation, and management. I am most familiar with C.C.B., Planning Center, and Breeze as well as several third party bridges. (Childcare check-in, background checking, online giving, worship team management, etc.) This has also included QuickBooks setup, training, implementation and management of Church income/expense account setup, budgeting, and financial reports.










- **Worship Team Development** – I have years of experience playing guitar and singing. Developing new talent from scratch has been a constant theme (I developed six different worship teams.)



- **Sound Technician** – I have trained, installed, implemented and managed church digital/analog sound and light equipment (small to medium light universes).

## **Work & Ministry History:**

-  April 2016- Present Day – **Youth Pastor**  
**Resurrection Life Ministry**  
Picayune, MS
  - Responsible for planning events, discipleship, weekly services, and youth worship team. Youth ministry attendance runs anywhere from 90-330.
  
-  *April 2008 – April 2016* – **Youth Pastor**  
**Cornerstone Church of Amite**  
Amite, LA
  - Full time youth pastor. Responsible for planning events, discipleship, weekly services, and youth worship team.
  
-  *April 2004 – April 2008* – **Youth Pastor (Bi-vocational)**  
**Cornerstone Church of Amite**  
Amite, LA
  - Facilitated Junior High, High school, and College students.
  
-  *June 2004 – April 2008* – **Commercial Insurance Agent / Network Administrator**  
**Charter Insurance Agency, Inc.**  
Hammond, LA
  - I started out in personal insurance sales and worked my way up to Commercial Salesman. After obtaining my Property and Casualty Insurance Agents License, I consistently exceeded my projected sales goals. Due to my knowledge and skills with computers, I was assigned office network administration duties which included maintaining the network hardware and software.
  
-  *April 2003 – April 2004* – **Youth Pastor**  
**Solid Rock Church (now World Prayer Tabernacle East)**  
Picayune, MS
  - I was responsible for facilitating the youth program. Duties consisted of event planning, student mentoring, and administrative preparations (supplies, material, and facilitating leadership.) I developed a youth worship team here. As a college student, I was bi-vocational at the time.
  
-  *2001-2003* – **College Pastor**  
**Loranger Baptist Church**  
Loranger, LA
  - Worked to establish college and career ministry for a small Baptist Church. This was volunteer and was a lesson from God in patience and persistence. It was over a year before these rural youth and young adult group would give me the time of day. Yet, it was still a powerful example of persistence paying off. My duties were handling the weekly Bible study, leadership development.
  
-  *March 2000-May 2001* - **Youth Intern -**  
**Woodland Baptist Church (Now Celebration Church)**  
LaPlace, LA
  - This was a small youth ministry where my calling as a pastor began. I was entrusted by the church to develop the youth small groups and ministry. This was where I developed my first worship team and managed discipleship youth events. I was bi-vocational at the time.

*August 1999-February 2000*



**YWAM Discipleship Training School**

West Kilbride, Scotland

- YWAM DTS was full-time and lasted 6 months.

## Missions Experience:

- Missions has played an important role in my life. I have served on many short term mission assignments which included England, Scotland, Honduras, and Philippines.

## Personal:



Married: Tiffany Wale

Three Children: Alayna, Ethan, and Judah Age: 39

## Education:



**Southeastern Louisiana University**- Hammond, LA August

2000-May 2004



**Bachelor of Arts** - Majored in mass communication with concentration in speech GPA

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**St. Charles Catholic High School** – Laplace, LA

Diploma Spring 1999

GPA 3.0

**Licensed Property & Casualty Agent** - State of Louisiana

## References:



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Senior Pastor – The Mission Church – Friend and Associate

## Personal Testimony:

I was raised in a Christian family and saved at 5 years old. I honestly couldn't tell if this was my genuine salvation moment or if it was at the time of the story I'm about to share. The only real backstory one should understand about me previous to salvation is that I grew up deeply involved in church. Over the years of youth ministry, it has been my observation that there is a point with every young Christian growing up in the church where they're either serving the

personal Savior they've met, or they're serving the God of their father. At the age of 19, this was a transition that I hadn't made yet.

In 1999, I was a bit directionally lost coming out of high school. After some soul searching, and guidance from friends and family, I opted to attend Discipleship Training School with YWAM in

Scotland. Once arriving in Scotland, it took me a few weeks to get my bearings. One of my prayers was to hear God's voice. So, I began praying to God to hear His voice. The catch was that I wasn't asking to hear Him in my spirit. I was asking to hear His audible voice. This became a constant prayer for me.

One day, while sitting by a fountain near a group of people, I heard God say in my spirit, "Brent, you want Me to speak to you audibly? How about you speak audibly to Me right here and now? With everything, just cry out My name." Now, I was not a socially confident teen. There was just no way I was going to yell in public and risk looking like a lunatic. So, I did what anyone would do. I quickly discredited that crazy thought saying to myself, "Surely that wasn't God."

A few weeks went by and a rather prophetic, father type figure from the base was preaching a sermon about hearing the voice of God. He made an altar call and asked, "If anyone would like to hear God's voice clearly, let me pray for you." I thought, "This is perfect!" So I went up and told him that I'd like to hear the voice of God...audibly. He stared at me and was a little taken aback by the unusual request. After closing his eyes for a few quiet seconds, he told me, "Brent you want Me to speak to you audibly? How about you speak audibly to Me right here and now? With everything, just cry out My name." Now, if this had happened just once, I could write it off like I had. At this point, I could not deny God was truly speaking to me. I decided I would go outside and call out to Him audibly. Once outside, I looked around and saw a few people walking around the area. Looking around, I also noticed there was a wooded area not too far off. I retreated there. Once there, I went a little deeper into the woods. I then whispered... "Jesus..." I did this a few times. I then realized that I was deathly afraid of making a public spectacle of myself to the squirrels and woodland creatures. I just couldn't do it.

Another two weeks passed and this lady whom I didn't even know, came up to me and said something that shook me. She just asked, "Who are you serving: the blessings or the Blessrr?" I didn't know why, but that question circled around in my mind, louder and louder. I left the room we were in and my head was swimming. I tried to do a few chores and couldn't think past the question... "Who are you serving???" I finally lost it and just started running. I ran off the YWAM base. I ran out of the whole town. I ran through a field where I started seeing my life flash before my eyes. I am pretty sure I revisited my most significant life events. I began seeing a pattern in my life that everything was about me...and pointless. I had this deep sense of regret that I had wasted everything. I began looking around me and noticed I was on top of a hill somewhere. I fell on my knees and just cried out with everything in me, over and over, "Jesus!!! Jesus!!! Jesus!!!" And I said, "If you can't do something with this mess, please just kill me." Now I realize that sounds a bit extreme, but honestly the whole experience was a bit extreme. It was there on a hill in West Kilbride, Scotland that I met God. It was in a wave of peace and purpose unlike any I had ever experienced. The lesson I learned that day was that inside of everyone is their spirit that's wanting to hear His voice. It's our spirit crying out for purpose. It's our spirit asking for a Savior who provides the only meaning in life...Jesus. When Jesus shows up, whatever you thought you needed fades into the realization that what you really need is to be in His presence. I have never been the same. Since then I have been running as fast and as hard as I can. It has taken me back home to Louisiana, Led me to several churches, and led me to where I am today.