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Gayla and I are excited to be here at North Park Church! We come from Cleveland, OH, where I served for over 20 years both in church positions and as a freelance musician in various capacities. There, as a displaced, avid Pittsburgh fan, I enjoyed supporting my teams as a “stranger in a strange fan base.” Gayla and I have eight home-educated



children, two of which are married; our heart’s desire has been to live our lives in such a way as to demonstrate to the world around us that God is real, that He loves us, and that He is faithful to those He calls His own through Christ Jesus.

I was born on Aug. 14, 1959, and grew up in New Wilmington, PA, where my father, a Presbyterian minister, taught Bible at Westminster College. My mother played horn in the Youngstown (OH) Symphony, played piano and organ, sang, and taught music at YSU and Westminster. I graduated from YSU’s Dana School of Music in 1985, and completed a master’s degree there in 1993. I spent some years on the road with Christian bands, sharing the Gospel in public schools, and also with a Christian singer/recording artist based in Charlotte, NC. I enjoy my wife, my family, composing and recording music, camping and hiking, travel, sports, and reading.