

CASEY BAARDSON BIO:

Ministry Life

Having known Jesus as her Savior since 1972, Casey Baardson has been involved in women's ministries for almost 30 years, leading Bible studies, teaching women's classes, and speaking at women's retreats and conferences across the country.

She and her husband Vern are employed by Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church in Moorhead MN, where they are involved with the West Campus in West Fargo, ND. As Women's Ministry Director for Triumph West her heart is to see relationships formed and strengthened through Bible study, fellowship, and in discipleship relationships. Ministry development is key as new ideas are shared and started. She also comes alongside Vern in visitation, training, and ministry opportunities.

As part of a positive relationship with the West Fargo Police Department, Vern serves as their Chaplain and Casey volunteers part time in the office.

World Vision Life

As an Artist Associate with **World Vision** (a non-profit Christian humanitarian group) Casey has taken trips to El Salvador and Nicaragua to see the ministry of feeding, clothing, educating and sharing God's love with the poorest of the poor. They were tremendous, life-changing trips! She shares about the opportunity to care for the world's children and the ministry of **World Vision** as part of her presentations.

Personal Life

Casey and Vern have been married for over 34 years and have one son, Nathanael ("Than") who is 25 years old. Newly married to Emma, he works in the media department for the ND Air National Guard and has his own multi-media production company called Bentwing Productions.

Casey is learning to play tennis; enjoys working out and walking; loves to read; really loves a good cup of strong coffee; and spending time with Vern, Than and Emma, and friends. An occasional trip to Hawaii to see family is a great blessing as is visiting family in N.D. and California.

Speaking Life

Her speaking and retreat topics include sharing about many issues:

- **"Being An Extraordinary Woman in an Ordinary World"**
- **Dealing with infertility**
- **Finding a positive self image in knowing the love of Jesus**
- **Loving her mom through Alzheimers**
- **Both her parents have gone to be with the Lord and she enjoys sharing their story. As an immigrant laborer from the Philippines to Hawaii, her "daddy" knew about hard times and came to rely and love His Savior Jesus very much. Casey and her siblings were all born and raised in Hawaii before moving to North Dakota.**

- **Bible themes:**
- **Queen Esther...Our Heroine**
- **The Fragrance of Christ**
- **The Father Heart of God**
- **Walking in Faith**
- **The Everyday Jesus**
- **"Handmade By God!""",,,"We are His Masterpiece!**
- **Called to Change the World!...One Woman--One Child At A Time**

CASEY HIGHLIGHTED BIO:

Personal History:

- Born and raised in Hawaii until ten years of age when her family moved to North Dakota. An occasional trip back to see family is a blessing!
- Father, Isidro (“Sid”), was a Filipino immigrant to Hawaii where he worked on sugar cane and pineapple plantations, leading a very difficult life before coming to know Jesus as his Savior. Mother, Gen, was a Nebraskan farm girl. Both parents’ are now with the Lord after an amazing life and many years together.
- Married to Vern Baardson for over 34 years and lives in West Fargo ND.
- One son Than, married to Emma. He works for the ND Air Guard as well as having his own multi media production company.
- Hobbies include tennis; reading; walking and working out; spending time with Vern, Than and Emma, and friends; and enjoying a good cup of strong coffee.

Ministry History:

- Currently on staff with Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church as Women’s Ministry Director for their second campus, Triumph West, after 4 years of helping plant the church in West Fargo ND. Involved in discipleship, mentoring, teaching, leading Bible studies, and ministry development.
- 10 years of church planting ministry and experience in ND and Southern CA.
- 30+ years of experience facilitating, teaching, and leading small groups, women’s Sunday School classes, and Bible studies.
- Featured speaker at women’s retreats and conferences in the U.S. and Canada.
- Traveled with Vern to Norway, Italy, and Japan and across the U.S. as part of Vern Baardson Ministries for over 15 years as her schedule would allow.
- Involved in worship team ministry for over 20 years.
- An Artist Associate with World Vision since 2004, traveled to El Salvador and Nicaragua with them to observe first hand their work in caring for the poorest of the poor. At each event allowing her to share, World Vision children are made available for sponsorship.
- Volunteers weekly at the West Fargo Police Department in their office.

Speaking and Retreat Topics:

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