

Nate Parks is an experienced executive and a dynamic leader; in a word, Nate is influential. He loves to talk, implement and execute strategy and vision with people and organizations who desire to have an impact. His personality is defined by energy and enthusiasm. This passion is evident in all his endeavors from leading, to coaching and consulting, to speaking. As a dedicated consultant and mentor, Nate is a natural leader of leaders. He enjoys meeting with leaders to support them in their lives and work and is known for his creativity and unique perspective in seeking solutions for people and organizations. He's always challenging people to look beyond their personal or organizational boundaries for maximum impact.

Before his work at Berea Ministries, Nate served both in ministry and business. With an undergrad in Bible and youth ministry and his grad work in business (MBA with a certificate in small business and a specialty in entrepreneurship), Nate brings a unique set of skills and experiences that provide powerful perspective to the roles he is engaged with. Whatever his role, Nate cultivates growth and persistent development, passionately pursing continuous improvement. As a son of a church planter, growing things is a life endeavor which starts with him personally as a devout learner.

Before his time at Berea, he was an associate pastor in a church in New Hampshire working in various roles and duties, which included being on the elder board. During his tenure in the manufacturing industry, he grew from a floor position to ultimately reporting to the C-Suite in three years. At Berea (Berea), he has served in many different roles, and currently holds the title of president/CEO. In his 20+ years with Berea, the organization has seen explosive growth, most notably being the acquisition of a two other camps in different states as well as an offsite regional ministry forum. From the number of people impacted, budget, full-time staff, acreage and guests served, the ministry has quadrupled under Nate's bold stewardship.

In addition to his role as president/CEO, Nate is a highly sought-after speaker. He is a part of several speaking teams, including at his local church (CenterPoint) and with the CCCA National Conference as well as several CCCA sections across the country. His many poignant seminars are bolstered by his exceptional skills in learning, creative problem-solving, creating meaningful perspective, and love for a challenge.

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He is a frequent contributor to conferences, particularly working to help guide and support boards and executives. Serving on several boards himself, he understands and lives the numerous benefits of specific board and executive training and has been a huge proponent both in his seminars and in his participation in training with his own board.

As a global nomad who was born in Texas, Nate spent time in several states. He has been to 40+ countries and all 50 states, is fluent in Spanish (though his English could use some work). You'll quickly detect his unique Southern, Mid-western, Hispanic, New England accent. Nate and his wife, Heidi, have been married more than 23 years and have three children: Grace, Bella and Isaac, and a corgi named Lexi. Nate is an active human and greatly enjoys the outdoors and can be frequently found hiking, skiing, fishing and biking. Outside of work, Nate serves as the New England Area Representative for the National Network of Youth Ministries (NNYM), working to better network and resource youth ministers together.

Nate's greatest passion in life is to be a bold steward of the gifts and blessings God has given him.

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