

## **President Kevin Kompelien Biography**

Born in 1957 the oldest of three children, Kevin spent his entire growing up years in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Privileged to have parents who love the Lord Jesus, they provided a loving home and modeled lives of commitment to the Lord and serving His church.

Kevin came to faith in Jesus as a young boy through the witness of his parents and grandparents. The influence of his home church was extremely significant in the early formation of his spiritual life. Kevin's walk of faith took on a deeper dimension in high school and college where he served in leadership in various ministries.

Through a variety of ministry opportunities, Kevin felt the clear inner call of God to ministry which was confirmed through the wise counsel of godly men. Upon completion of university training, Kevin entered Trinity Evangelical Divinity School to prepare for pastoral ministry.

In June 2015, credentialed delegates at the EFCA One national conference elected Kevin as the sixth president of the Evangelical Free Church of America. His presidency began June 18, 2015. Married to wife Becky since 1981, Kevin and Becky have four grown, married children and seven grandchildren.

## **Education and Credentials**

**Master of Divinity:** Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois (1983) Graduated Cum Laude and received the Arley Bragg Pastoral Award

**Bachelor of Science in Education:** University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota (1979)

Graduated Summa Cum Laude

**Ordination:** Evangelical Free Church of America (1987)

## Ministry experience

Evangelical Free Church of America, Minneapolis, Minnesota – President (2015 to present)

EFCA ReachGlobal – International leader for the Africa division (2006 to 2015)

Hillside EFCA, San Jose California – Senior pastor (1994 to 2006)

Pleasant Valley EFC, Winona, Minnesota – Senior pastor (1983 to 1994)

Evangelical Free Church, Thief River Falls, Minnesota – full-time pastoral internship (1981 to

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