

Introducing our Interim Pastor, Rev. Calvin Sagherian

Pastor Calvin was born and raised in Beirut Lebanon, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Hagop Sagherian, and the youngest of four siblings. He attended Armenian Evangelical schools as well as the Armenian Evangelical Church of Ashrefieh and was deeply impacted by the ministries of his parents and his siblings. His parents lived out in the home what they taught in the church. His brother John's ministry with Youth for Christ led him to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and his sisters' commitment to discipleship modeled Christian growth.



He immigrated to Canada at the start of the civil war in Lebanon where he continued his education at the University of Toronto. Here Pastor Calvin was very active in the youth ministry of the Armenian Evangelical Church of Toronto, where he received his calling into full time ministry. He continued his education at Talbot School of Theology in Southern California while serving as an intern at Lake Avenue Church in Pasadena. It was here that he met his wife, Janine, who was also raised in a pastor's family.

They got married in 1986 and Pastor Calvin received his first call to serve as the assistant pastor at Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church in Fresno, California. Seven years later, God called the Sagherians with their two kids, James and Emily to Lebanon to serve as the Campus Minister of Haigazian University. They moved once again with their third child, John, in the year 2000 to Pasadena to pastor the Armenian Brotherhood Bible Church where they served for sixteen years.

In recent years Pastor Calvin has had the unique privilege of participating in a dialogue towards peace and reconciliation with Turkish pastors. Recently he was also able to visit Armenia where he taught seminars and Bible classes to support the AMAA's efforts to bring formal training to local Armenian Evangelical pastors.

Later that year, Rev. Sagherian made himself available to care for Calvary Armenian Congregational Church in San Francisco as our Interim pastor, since January 2018.

Rev. Calvin has a passion for meeting with God daily and teaching His Word. He also has an enthusiasm for discipleship and building relationships with people in order to encourage them in all walks of their spiritual journey.

A perfect day for Pastor Calvin would include coffee with his wife, a competitive game of tennis or golf with a friend and a good laugh over dinner with his kids.