

Biographies for James Gresham



2-Line Bio:

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Short Bio:

Jim Gresham is from Jeannette, PA and has served as a deacon, elder, teacher, worship leader and in other ministries at Hempfield Church of Christ for many years. His degree is in engineering and he works in the nuclear power industry. He and his wife, Dianne, have one daughter.

Medium Bio:

Jim Gresham grew up near Elbert Colorado on the family farm. He attended the Elbert Christian Church where his family still actively serves and worships.

He graduated from Colorado State University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Since graduating he has worked for Westinghouse where he has had various engineering and management positions in nuclear plant design and safety analysis.

He, his wife, Dianne, and daughter, Amy, live near Jeannette, PA. They are all actively involved at the Hempfield Church of Christ in Greensburg, PA. Jim currently serves as an elder, Sunday School teacher and worship leader.

Long Bio:

Jim Gresham grew up near Elbert, Colorado with his parents and two younger brothers on the family farm on the eastern slope about half way between Denver and Colorado Springs. He attended and was baptized at the Elbert Christian Church in Elbert, Colorado where his family has actively served and worshiped for generations. It was there he learned of God's grace, Jesus' atoning sacrifice and the importance of gathering around the Lord's table to celebrate the Communion meal. He has been in Christian service all of his life.

After graduating from Colorado State University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering, he accepted a job with Westinghouse and moved to southwestern Pennsylvania. He has continued to work for Westinghouse for almost 40 years. He has held various positions in engineering and management associated with nuclear plant design, safety analysis and licensing. He has published numerous technical papers on various nuclear plant design and nuclear safety topics.

He met his wife, Dianne, at the Hempfield Church of Christ in Greensburg, PA. He currently serves there as an elder, Sunday School teacher, worship leader, and in the past has sung in the choir, served as deacon, treasurer, Sunday School superintendent and various other roles as needed. Jim and Dianne

have been married since 1981 and have long been involved in music, children's, youth and family ministries. They currently lead a small group Bible study called "Family Matters" dealing with marriage and parenting issues. They live near Jeannette, PA along with their daughter, Amy, who is a teacher's aide for special needs children.

In his free time, Jim enjoys reading, photography and writing. He is also a history buff and likes to do genealogical and historical research. He is currently writing some articles about his revolutionary war and civil war ancestors who fought on both sides in these conflicts. He also enjoys playing guitar and piano and creating background tracks for songs written by Dianne.

He has taken a turn in leading his congregation in the celebration of the Lord's Supper for many years. The thoughts shared with the Hempfield church have provided some of the material for his book "It's Suppertime." Jim says, "The inspiration for thoughts on the Lord's Supper is everywhere. Every book in the Bible points us to Jesus and our salvation through him. The world around us is full of reminders of God's grace. Hymns, events, history and noble acts by common people have all prompted thoughts that ultimately became the devotions in this book."

Speaker Introduction:

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He is married to Dianne, a native Pennsylvanian and they make their home near Jeannette, PA with their daughter, Amy. They are all actively involved as members of the Hempfield Church of Christ in Greensburg, PA. Jim currently serves as an elder, Sunday School teacher, worship leader, and various other roles as needed. Jim and Dianne have long been involved in children's, youth and family ministry. They currently lead a small group called "Family Matters" dealing with marriage and parenting issues. He has taken a turn in leading his congregation in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The thoughts shared with the Hempfield church have provided some of the material for his book "It's Suppertime." Jim says, "The inspiration for thoughts on the Lord's Supper is everywhere. Every book in the Bible point to Jesus and our salvation through him. The world around us is full of reminders of God's grace. Music, events, history and noble acts by common people have all prompted thoughts that ultimately became the devotions in this book."

He loves to teach and share about what God has done for us.

3 Fun Facts You Didn't Know About Me:

1. My high school graduating class had nine students. (I was in the top ten!)
2. My wife and I restored a 100-year-old Victorian house in which she grew up.
3. My fifth great-grandfather was George Washington's cousin and was a loyalist sympathetic to the British. My second great-grandfather was Abraham Lincoln's cousin and fought for the confederacy.