

## QUOTATIONS & COMMENTS ABOUT JESSE

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From Jesse's Personal Information Form he submitted for the position: "I seek to model my leadership after those who have gone before me in the faith: those in Scripture and those I have been privileged to follow in my own experience.... I hope to be a servant of Jesus Christ who relies on the grace and forgiveness of God and others..."

Something that stuck with Jesse from his studies he shared in his phone interview: "Sincerity isn't a measure of truth," and, "sometimes learning can get in the way of just having a relationship with God."

One reference said, "Jesse is every bit what he says he is. He makes me want to walk closer to God."

Another reference said, "Spending time around him and Callie, and watching the ways he loves her and makes their relationship his first ministry has been such an inspiring role model for me."

Another reference said, "Jesse demonstrates his faith in Jesus through both words and actions. He is a man walking with God."

Finally, a Presbytery representative remarked that they have never heard such an articulate, emotional reference check on a candidate as they got about Jesse. They were impressed with Jesse's maturity, strong understanding of small group ministry, and overall theological views. They were thrilled with our selection.



With diligent faithfulness to the Holy Spirit in leading us throughout this process and an unanimous vote, the APNC asks our congregation to approve the call of Jesse Skiffington as our Associate Pastor. Please join us in lifting up Jesse and his wife Callie in prayer during their transition to the Northwest and warmly welcome them into our Marine View family.

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE MARINE VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dale Armstrong  
Don Ausink  
Loretta Black  
Sue Clark  
Myla Montgomery  
Mary Lou Rafello  
Stan Rayno  
Liz Sawyer  
Bill Tidwell

Dr. James Mead, Committee on Ministry Liaison

## INTRODUCING JESSE SKIFFINGTON

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"Your Word is a lamp to my feet, a light for my path." Psalm 119:105. Wherever the Lord leads us, He will always give us enough light for the step we're on. As we walk in trust, Callie and I are excited that the light of the world, Jesus Christ, has guided us to Marine View Presbyterian Church! We look forward to becoming a part of the Marine View family and to discovering what God has in store for all of us as we grow in faith together. In Christ, Jesse

### Congregational Meeting

to vote for an approval of the  
APNC Nomination of Jesse Skiffington  
for Associate Pastor

May 31, 2009 11:30 a.m.

## JESSE SKIFFINGTON

**Hometown:** La Conner, WA

**Education:**

Masters of Divinity, Princeton Theological Seminary;  
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science & Speech  
Communication, University of Washington

**A Scripture with meaning for you...**

Jesse likes Ephesians 4:17-19 because, "In Christ, God makes His love known to us in person, offering forgiveness and inviting us into a life transforming relationship with Him. That's the kind of love worth sharing with everyone around us!"

**Activities Jesse enjoys...** Golf, classical literature, running, playing board games, road trips with Callie and Everett, watching UW sports (though painful at times), going to Mariners' games

**Books on his nightstand at the moment...**

*The Hunch Back of Notre Dame, Basic Christianity, Great Expectations*

**A person who has impacted Jesse's faith in**

**Jesus Christ..** "God has blessed me with many great examples and mentors who have helped guide me along the path of faith in Jesus Christ, from my parents to pastors to friends across the country and the world. Dave Burke, a pastor in Chattanooga, TN, is a great example of just such a person. He challenged me to go deeper in my faith by studying God's Word each day and prayerfully applying it to my life."

**What is Jesse looking forward to in living in the Northwest?** "I can't wait to see Ken Griffey, Jr. at Safeco Field. I'm also excited to be living closer to my family again."

**Most memorable trip so far in Jesse's life...** "It was during the trip Callie shares that we came up with a name Everett for the dog we didn't yet have. After arriving in Princeton, we welcomed an 11 pound golden retriever puppy into our home and named him Everett. He now weighs 95 pounds!"



## CALLIE SKIFFINGTON

**Hometown:** Columbia, TN (Nashville area)

**Education:**

Masters of Science in Nursing at University of Pennsylvania; Bachelor of Science in Nursing at University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

**Career:** Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

**A Scripture with meaning for you...**

Callie loves the reminder in Proverbs 31:30 that people pleasing and impressing others is not the goal she is striving to achieve. Secondly, Philippians 4:6-7 calms Callie's worries by reminding her to be trusting of God's provisions.

**Activities Callie enjoys...** Reading, live theater, long walks with the dog, travel, spending time with family, quiet time for prayer and study

**Books on her nightstand at the moment...**

*Elegance of the Hedgehog*, by Muriel Barbery and *The Reason for God*, by Tom Keller

**A person who has impacted Callie's faith in**

**Jesus Christ...** "There have been many amazing strong Christian women mentors in my life that have shaped my faith journey, for all of whom I am extremely grateful. Most recently, Christy Colgan, one of my best friend's growing up who always has an encouraging word and a wise, but fresh biblical perspective."

**What is Callie looking forward to in living in the Northwest?** "The water, the mountains, and all the vibrant colors of spring flowers."

**Most memorable trip so far in Callie's life...**

"Jesse and I took a 2-month road trip 6 months after we were married. We drove through over 20 states sightseeing everything from the Oregon Coast to the Grand Canyon to the Jersey Shore. We learned a lot about these great United States and a lot about each other in a small Honda Civic."