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Micah Wilder is a founder of Adam's Road, a music and testimony ministry which shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ across North America. Micah recounts his spiritual journey in his first book, ***Passport to Heaven: The True Story of a Zealous Mormon Missionary Who Discovers the Jesus He Never Knew*** (Harvest House, June 2021).

Micah was raised in a devout Mormon family, and he developed a desire for an intimate relationship with God as a child. When Lynn Wilder, Micah's mom, was hired as a professor at Brigham Young University (BYU), their family left the Midwest for the heart of Mormonism: Alpine, Utah.

During Micah's teenage years in Utah, his devotion to the LDS Church was strengthened and cultivated. In high school, he held numerous leadership positions in the Church and worked tirelessly to establish right standing with God through the laws, ordinances, and works of his religion. He pined for the assurance of the forgiveness of his sins, but felt unable to satisfy an ever-growing thirst within his soul. His dissatisfaction became the impetus for his unparalleled zeal for serving God through the Mormon Church.

After Micah graduated from high school, he attended BYU for a semester and prepared for what he believed would be the most important two years of his life: his full-time LDS mission. In an effort to spiritually ready himself for this undertaking, Micah worked in the Mormon temple leading up to his two-year mission trip. Then, at the age of 19, he was sent to Orlando, Florida, as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Four months into his mission, Micah confronted a Baptist minister with the intent of converting him to Mormonism. In response, the pastor lovingly shared the Biblical Gospel with Micah. It was the first time Micah had been presented with salvation by grace through faith and not by works. The Christian minister challenged Micah to read the Bible as a child, removing preconceived notions and allowing God's Word to speak truth through the Holy Spirit.



This challenge sent Micah on a fervent quest to read the Bible over the remainder of his two-year mission. For the next twenty months, Micah read the New Testament from beginning to end a dozen times. God gradually opened Micah's eyes to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and he came to know the grace and love of Jesus Christ in a personal and intimate way. Micah painfully came to the understanding, through God's Word, that salvation could not be earned by his religious merits, but only by faith in the merits of Christ. Micah underwent a life changing transformation and was born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ as a Mormon missionary.

With less than three weeks left on his two-year mission, Micah was confronted by LDS leaders about his noticeable change in faith. Micah witnessed that he no longer needed the Mormon Church or any of its

rites, rituals, or ordinances to be saved—only Jesus. As a result of his confession, Micah's two-year mission was cut short, and he returned to Utah to face discipline from his Church leaders.

Micah immediately began ministering the Gospel to his close friends and family, challenging them—as he had been challenged—to read the Bible like a child. His high school girlfriend, Alicia, was born again through reading the Word of God, and she and Micah eloped just days after Micah's mission ended. Over time, many of Micah's loved ones came to knowledge of the truth including his older brother Matt, younger sister Katie, best missionary friend Joseph, and eventually his mother and father.

In 2006, Micah co-founded [Adam's Road](#), a ministry dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ through song and testimony. For 15 years, Adam's Road has boldly proclaimed the Gospel, equipping and encouraging the Body of Christ, and putting the Bible into music. Today Adam's Road has ministered in more than 1,000 churches across North America, distributing their music and resources at no charge.

Micah is also an owner/operator of the Historic [Edgewater Hotel](#) in Winter Garden, Florida, which he and Alicia have called home since 2006. The hotel operates as a “tent-making” ministry for Adam's Road, providing the personal living expenses for the majority of the ministry members.

Micah praises God for the unmerited favor that has been poured upon him in Jesus Christ. He has dedicated his life to lovingly sharing the Good News with the world.



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