



Bucelli Family

My name is Buck Elsmore. I am the current Senior Pastor. In the summer of 1994, I was chosen by Pastor Vince Bucelli to be the best man to he and Sara on their wedding day.

Pastor Vince has inspired and touched so many lives for the gospel of Jesus Christ that there would not be enough room to fill this space with the names of each person he has reached out to.

He was a dedicated husband, father, pastor, colleague and friend. Anyone who knew Pastor Vince received the truth in love according to biblical teaching from the Word of God.

The last thing Pastor Vince asked me on the day he passed away was for an encouraging word from the Lord, to which I shared with him Psalms 34:17-18

“The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is close unto them that are of a broken heart; and saves such as be of a contrite spirit.”

Obituary: The Apostle of this Church, its founder, Vincent Anthony Bucelli died unexpectedly, but peacefully, in his sleep at his home on April 25, 2016.

He was born on Christmas Eve, 1960, in Dover, Delaware to Felix Bucelli and Maureen Melvin. Growing up, Vince had a generous heart and consistently gave to others in need. Vince was an outstanding student in High School and College. He was an accomplished athlete who played soccer for San Diego State University and was drafted to play professionally for the San Diego Sockers.

On September 10, 1994, Vince married Sara Nessman and God later blessed them with three beautiful children. Vince was a highly intelligent man with four degrees and had a successful career as a safety engineer. A few of the prominent positions he held were Cal/OSHA, San Onofre Power Plant, the City of San Diego and the task force for Homeland Security. His greatest passion was sharing the Word of God and serving others, which he did faithfully for 30 years as a pastor and worship leader. In 1995 until present, he founded and served as Senior Pastor at Calvary Chapel La Costa Hills.

Vince will be missed by many far and wide who were impacted by his teachings and his sacrificial love. As a mighty prayer warrior, he fought endlessly and victoriously on behalf of his family, friends and church.

He is survived by his wife Sara, his daughter Sophia, his sons Samuel, and Bani, father Felix, mother Maureen Smith, brother Gregory, stepmother Josephine, and stepsister Elisa. He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Gerald Smith.