

Elvin & Ruth Martin

I was born and raised in Eastern Lancaster County Pa. I met my wife Ruth in 1983 and we were married in 1984. We served a 16 month volunteer service assignment in the mountains of Kentucky as house parents to teenagers who were also involved in short term service. We had our first child, Stephanie, in 1994 and 18 months later our son named Mitchell arrived. In 1998 we moved to Abbeville, South Carolina where I was ordained as associate pastor at Shiloh Mennonite Church in 2003 where I am presently serving in this role. My wife Ruth is a registered nurse and works part time in a local hospital. I have received training as a paramedic and my wife as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and enjoy serving together in the medical field in this way. Apart from ministering at Shiloh Mennonite we have a shop where we manufacturer doors for kitchen cabinets and supply them to about 50 cabinet shops. As a family we love to travel to different parts of the world to see how God's kingdom is being built. So far we have gone to Mongolia, Ghana, London, South Korea, and Spain. Ruth has been to Haiti and Costa Rica on a medical mission trips. Aside from traveling to encourage missionaries, our hearts are to help young people see the importance of staying untangled in the affairs of this world and to catch a vision for missions.