

Personal References for Nick von Stein

“Dear Grace Covenant Church,

I am very excited to recommend Nick von Stein to be your next pastor. I have known Nick for over 14 years and have had the great honor of working with and alongside him for 10 of those years. Nick loves the Lord Jesus Christ and he is passionate for His church. Nick and Breanna are ready to come and serve and lead you with all integrity, vision and Holy Spirit anointing. I pray blessing upon your church family as you embark on new beginnings and as you pen new chapters to your Grace Covenant story.”

Brad Reed – Pastor and mentor at Redeemer Covenant Church

“My wife and I carry deep appreciation for Nick and Breanna. They have proven faithful over and over, in ministry, in family life, in friendship. They’ve taken some hits. They understand the challenges of rising to face life’s pain. They also know how to genuinely celebrate. As for Nick, he has the heart of a pastor, the intellect of a life-long learner, and the sense of humor of a camp counselor. You are going to love them. We do.”

Joel Rude – Former Executive Director of Alpine Camp and Conference Center (Covenant Camp in Lake Arrowhead, CA). Served as E.D. while was the chair of the Board.

“It is with tremendous enthusiasm that I recommend that you hire Nick Von Stein as your next called Senior Pastor. Nick has an extremely empathetic heart, a strong vision for church life and a conviction that calls people to be fully devoted followers of Jesus. Breanna is the perfect “side-kick” to Nick as she lovingly connects with people and is a stable support for Nick. I’ve been told that the best qualities of a Senior Pastor are to love God and love neighbor and if you hire Nick, you will get that abundantly. With Nick, your church will be better than it has ever been and will have the potential to enter into all that God is calling it to be.”

Michael Gutierrez – Former youth group student, now Youth Pastor at Redeemer Covenant Church

“I have the highest regard for my dear friend and brother in Christ. Nick’s passion to live out his faith, and minister to others will be guided by his commitment to scripture. I commend him as a faithful friend, but more importantly as a shameless Jesus lover. I have no doubt that he will wholeheartedly serve the congregation while seeking the Lord’s face in all that he does.”

Stephen Lacorazza – Longtime friend and college classmate