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**Objective**      Desire to use my creativity, analytical and engineering skills to help people in practical ways. Desire to help make this world a better place, especially for those people subjected to poverty and environmental degradation.

**Education**      **University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering      GPA: 3.951, 2005 - 2011

**University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota**  
Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering      GPA 3.75, 2001 - 2005, Magna Cum Laude

### Professional Experience

#### President

Simply Love, Haiti (non-profit organization), New Prague, MN    April 2013 – present

- Support agricultural and educational development in the central plateau region of Haiti, near Pignon
- Provide school supplies for school children and funding for college students; tools, seeds, and training for impoverished farmers

#### Framer/Carpenter

Jeff Allen Construction, New Prague, MN      May 2014 – present

- Frame residential homes in the south Twin Cities metro area
- Responsibilities include creating staircases and front porches to customer blueprints and building codes

#### Mechanical Design Engineer

Scott Equipment Co., New Prague, MN      Sept 2010 – May 2014

- Lead structural engineer; performed analyses on large rotating high-speed equipment using FEA /hand calculations
- Designed custom equipment and tooling for manufacture using 3-D CAD software
- Organized and lead failure investigation(s) both internally and at customer sites in the USA and England, leading to major improvements in legacy products and engagement with new suppliers.

#### Mechanical Design Engineer

Remmele Engineering, Inc., Big Lake, MN      June 2005 – May 2010

- Lead structural/fluid flow engineer; performed structural analyses on customer assemblies and internal tooling using FEA software and hand calculations, planned and conducted structural and fluid flow experiments
- Designed aircraft and radar components and tooling for manufacture using 3-D CAD software
- Performed experiments for evaluating manufacturing parameters to improve product quality and throughput, including the use of innovative techniques. Evaluated effects of thermal operating parameters.

#### Project Leader - Senior Design Project

University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN      September 2004 – May 2005

- Designed a compressed-air-powered motor for Graco, Inc., Minneapolis, MN, using structural/fluid flow analysis
- Fabricated a fully-functional prototype, performed experiments to evaluate performance

**Research Assistant** – Univ. of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN      June 2004 – June 2005

**Block Tender/ Laborer** – Albrecht Masonry, Jordan, MN      Summers 1998 – 2003

### Other Activities:

- Organic Gardener    • Church youth leader, 2007 – 2015    • 2004 ASME competition; created minesweeping robot

**Computer Skills**    *SolidWorks* CAD Program, *Ansys* FEA Program, *Matlab*, *Microsoft* Excel, Word, and PowerPoint

**Publications**    *Dynamic 3D Visualization of Stress Tensors* (co-author: Michael P. Hennessey, Ph. D.)  
Presented at 2006 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference

**References**      **Eph M. Sparrow**, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, University of Minnesota  
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