

*"Great leaders create more leaders, not followers."  
— Roy T. Bennett*



### HIS STORY

Stephen's earlier years were filled with promises. He was raised up in a Christian home with godly parents and strong role models.

Stephen Barbee's life story and message is one of, Dreams, Destruction, Disgrace and Deliverance!

Stephen himself was a standout football player at Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Kansas. He went

on to earn All-American honors as a running back at Highland Community College in Highland, Kansas.

His life seemed to be on a path of unbeatable success. In 1997, he became the first African American to serve as Men's Director at the Pacific Garden Mission where he had once stayed.

He worked for Featherfist Inc. in Chicago assisting homeless clients. After several months, Stephen transferred his studies from Moody Bible Institute to Trinity International University in Deerfield, Illinois, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Communication in 1999.

Stephen returned to live in Lawrence, Kansas, for a couple of years serving as an assistant football coach. After his tenure, Stephen moved to Chicago to pursue love, but, as the marriage failed, his long history of substance abuse caught up with him.

But Stephen's story is a story of hope and restoration. When God restored Stephen, He restored him with a strong sense of passion and purpose to serve others.

Stephen's life story is what makes him an effective and compassionate leader.

For more information including workshop dates, times and fees, please contact:

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*"Stephen is a change-maker." - Brad Lambert, COO and Co-Founder, Connections to Success*

*"Stephen is a tremendous communicator, and uses his unique voice to captivate, connect and inspire." - Grant M. Kelly, Clay County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney*

*"He is professional, courteous, enthusiastic, passionate, compassionate, respectful, trustworthy and dedicated." - Sherrill P. Roberts, Clay County Family Court Commissioner*

*Stephen knows how to motivate, encourage, teach, persuade and get a message across." - Michelle L. McAfee, Probation and Parole Officer*

*Leo Stephen Barbee earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication from Trinity International University in Deerfield, Illinois and studied Biblical Studies at Moody's Bible Institute in Chicago, Illinois He has preached and taught the Word of God in Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Indiana, Wisconsin and Minnesota.*



THE  
**PASSION PROJECT**

**L. STEPHEN BARBEE**

## ABOUT

**STEPHEN BARBEE** has over 20 years experiences of serving the homeless, the disadvantage and the reentry population as a case worker, outreach worker, mentor and group facilitator.



A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.

—John Maxwell

The **P.A.S.S.I.O.N Project** is a series of workshops to empower its participants and ignite their passion, discover their purpose, and to use this focused energy to develop an “I Can Plan.”

These workshops will also help to foster a renewed awareness to help these individuals become intentional in their actions towards a more self-assured, self-driven and productive life.

Participants will establish ownership of their narratives through the practice of integrity, the understanding of their potential and influence and cultivating an open mindset as they navigate healing and negotiate healthier work and personal relationships.

*He who has a “why” to live for – can bear almost any “how.”` friedrich nietzsche*

## THE RESEARCH

An article written by Jeremiah Mosteller, a Criminal Justice Reform Policy Liaison, supports the findings of these studies in identifying the key barriers that inhibit an individual’s successful transition.

These barriers include an Anti-social worldview, Substance Abuse/Addiction. Mental Health issues, Lack of Community and resources, Lack of meaningful employment, Lack of Housing, Lack of Education and the Necessary Skills to maintain a consistent life of independence.

The article also confirms that for a reentry program to be effective it must help these individuals “*overcome one or more of these barriers and collaborate with other community resources*” to ensure continued and measurable success.

The **P.A.S.S.I.O.N Project** works to accomplish this goal of continued and measurable success by teaching the individual the “how” of accomplishing their goals than to determine the “how” for them. The proverb ‘*Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man how to fish and you feed him for a lifetime*’ is the basis for this choosing this method.

## CURRENT WORKSHOPS

The P.A.S.S.I.O.N project works in collaboration with *JABlessings Enterprises* and their programming.

The series focuses on igniting and maintaining one’s passion for life and work by activating in the participants the following elements identified as important to creating the life they desire:

**Purpose with a Plan**

**Awareness in Action**

**Self-Assuredness**

**Self-Determination**

**Integrity and Influence an**

**Open Mindset and the necessary skills to**

**Negotiate and Navigate *Life and Relationships*.**



Stephen shares his story with a group of incarcerated men.

**STEPHEN BARBEE** is a well-seasoned professional speaker and presenter having presented to the U.S. Department of Justice, Leavenworth U.S. Penitentiary, The U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services and Correctional Centers and Facilities in Kansas and Missouri.

## SAMPLE PROGRAM

(3 HOUR SCHEDULE)\*

OPENING ACTIVITIES	30 MINUTES
	(Sign-In, Snacks, Ice-Breaker)
WORKSHOP	50 MIN
BREAK	15 MIN
WORKSHOP SESSION	50 MIN
CLOSING ACTIVITIES	20 MINUTES (Reflection)
DISMISSAL	15MIN
	(Clean-Up, Dismissal)

*\*Longer workshop periods will provide additional breaks in the workshop activities to offer the necessary rest and refreshment.*

## PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

*Program participants are expected to adhere to any and all established rules of the program and/or school/organization.*

*This includes any guidelines regarding session schedule, confidentiality, allowable session attire, behavior, language, cooperation, participation and attendance.*

## SCHEDULE OF FEES

*Workshop fees\** are due upon contract and registration.

**Contact Stephen Barbee for the current Schedule of Fees.**

All course materials are included in the total fees unless otherwise indicated.

*\*In the event a workshop operates during a normal mealtime, the appropriate snack or meal (to be consumed during the assigned 15-30 minute period) will be pre-arranged and included in the total fee.*