

# TRAGEDY *into* TRIUMPH

## OUR MISSION

*To share real-life stories of transformation so that people will believe in Christ, find hope for their lives and overcome the struggles of life.*

**REAL STORIES. REAL GOD.**

## HISTORY

The idea for Tragedy Into Triumph was born in 2008 as our founder, Wendell Brown, was praying for someone he had never met named Siran Stacy. Siran played football at Alabama and the NFL but tragically, one year earlier, lost his wife and 4 of 5 children when a drunk driver struck their vehicle days before Thanksgiving. During that prayer time not only was Wendell prompted to find Siran and ask if he would speak at his church, but the name and outline for this ministry began. In February of 2009 the first Tragedy Into Triumph event happened in Dickson, TN over 3 nights. Each night a new speaker shared their real-life story of transformation. In the first year, topics covered were: Loss, Sexual Addiction, and Murder. Since that time, the ministry has grown from a local event to a nationwide simulcast, podcast, small group studies, devotionals, and newsletters through a collection of stories from everyday people who have overcome tremendous odds. Although the ministry has changed through the years, it is still the same passion and heartbeat of that initial prayer time that serves as the guiding principle for Tragedy Into Triumph.



Wendell Brown



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## WHAT IS THE PRINCIPLE

That sharing personal stories of overcoming (testimony) are the greatest way for people to accept Christ and find freedom for their own lives. In fact, Rev. 12:11 says that we "overcome by the blood of the Lamb, and the word of our testimony".

In our divided world, too often individuals are looking to debate rather than believe. What separates Tragedy Into Triumph is that personal experience cannot be debated. In John 9, there is a great story about a man had been blind from birth, but had been healed by Jesus. He was investigated by the skeptics of the day who wanted to question and discredit how the miracle happened. His answer shares the heartbeat of our ministry, "I don't know." He said. "One thing I do know, I was blind but now I see!" (John 9:25)

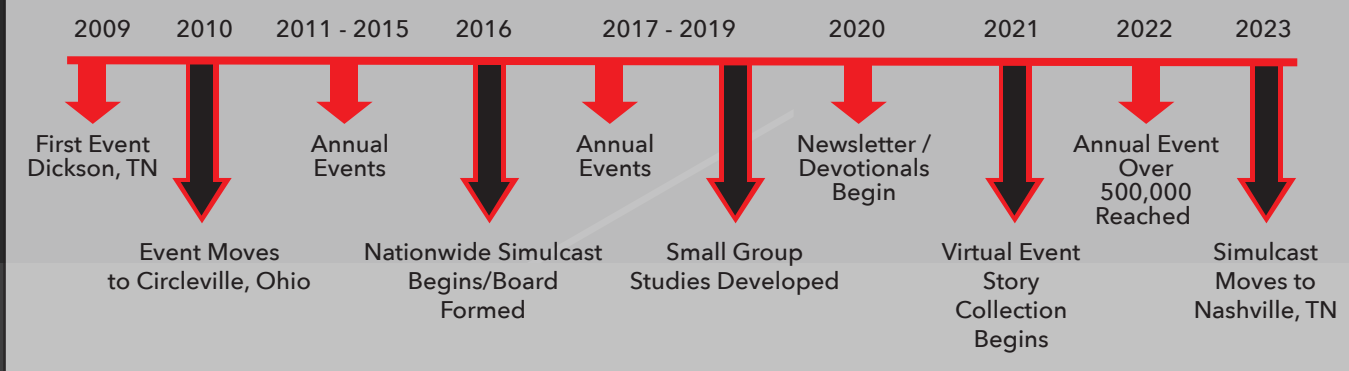
Tragedy into Triumph invests in transformational truth. Throughout our ministry there are moments just like the blind man. Someone hears a story of one of our presenters and then believes that God can work in their life and they believe. Quotes from some of our participants include:

*"I believe God healed me from cancer at Tragedy Into Triumph. I have been cancer free for over 8 years.", Sue.*

*"I gave my life to God at Tragedy Into Triumph and finally moved past the trauma I had in my childhood.", Luke.*

*"I have struggled with addiction for over 15 years, but I found freedom at Tragedy Into Triumph.", James.*

### TIMELIVE



# PAST SPEAKERS:

Each year features different speakers from a different walk of life with a different story.

Deion Sanders - NFL Hall of Fame Cornerback and MLB Baseball Player

Michael Vick - NFL Quarterback

Chris Spielman - ESPN Analyst

Gene Stallings - National Championship Football Coach from University of Alabama

Wayne Huizenga, Jr. - Blockbuster Video/Owner of the Miami Dolphins

Ashley Smith Robinson - 2015 Movie Captive Based On Her Life

David Nasser - Former Muslim

Kylie Bisutti - Former Victoria Secret Model

Sam Childers - Machine Gun Preacher

Michael Franzese - Former Mob Boss

Sonny Sandoval - Lead Singer of P.O.D.

Brian "Head" Welch - Guitarist from KORN

Annie Lober't - Former High Class Call Girl

Nancy Stafford - Actress - Matlock

Janine Turner - Actress - Northern Exposure/Friday Night Lights/Cliffhanger

LaMorris Crawford - NFL Chaplain, author and speaker

Danny Gokey - American Idol

Justin Wren - UFC Fighter

Taya Kyle - American Sniper's Wife

Brian Bosworth - Former College/NFL Great

Darryl Strawberry - 4 Time World Series Champion, MLB All-Star

Scott Rigsby - Double Amputee IronMan

Abby Johnson - Former Abortion Clinic Director

Pattie Mallette - Justin Bieber's Mom

Lee Strobel - NYT Times Bestselling Author

Mark Richt - University of Georgia/Miami Football Coach

Montell Jordan - 5 Time Platinum Selling Artist of "This is How We Do It"

Erin Merryn - Founder of Erin's Law, author

## REACH

*Since our beginning, the event has been simulcast in all 50 states, 4 Canadian Provinces, & 4 World Countries with over 500,000 people reached!*



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## THE FUTURE

To move Tragedy Into Triumph to larger markets around the USA to expand our capability to reach more people with the transformational love of Jesus.

To expand our Simulcast Audience through great connectational stories both for churches and individuals.

To develop brand awareness throughout the country so that people look to us for transformational stories.

To become the largest collection of real-life stories in the world of what the power of Christ can do in our lives.

To have a large online connectational presence through quality content creation, podcasts, and studies.

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## THE NEED

Corporate Support from the Christian Community from entities that share our passion to reach people.

Ongoing support from 100 individuals who will contribute \$1,000 per year or more.

Support from local churches who want to see a fresh outpouring of the gospel of Christ.

Volunteers to pray and help in key areas such as technical support, event support, administrative support and more.

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