

JULIE OSBORNE

Visionary leader seeking freelance writing opportunities. Recognized as a business and community leader with passion, creativity, and strong organization/communication skills. Areas of expertise and interest include: creative non-fiction, spirituality/religion, empty nesters, singles, and parenting/family.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Professional Writer of feature stories, news clips, blog posts, Bible studies and devotional materials

Committed Bible Study Teacher and small group leader

Strong Communicator skilled at connecting, training, and motivating people

Experienced Leader holding various project management roles

Enthusiastic Team Player and contributor

Visionary with proven organizational skills to create ideas and move through implementation

Community Organizer who empowers others to action

PERSONAL MISSION STATEMENT

"Trust God to lead the way, Teach through my writing and leading, and Serve with a joyful heart to inspire and empower all who cross my path."

EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE WRITER 2015 - PRESENT

Currently exploring new avenues of writing through my blog, Tales of Oz. My goal is "not only to inspire and encourage but also to empower you to be intentional with how you live, parent, and learn from those who cross your path."

MANAGING EDITOR/SPECIAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR, CURRENT PUBLISHING 2012 - 2014

Served as Managing Editor for Current in Zionsville as well as Special Project Coordinator for all five markets of Current's weekly publication delivered to 110,000+ households on the north side of Indianapolis. Responsibilities included managing content, reviewing/publishing paper, community immersion/reporting, writing weekly column/cover story/articles, building relationships with community members and leaders, training/developing writers, creating new internship program, and leading special projects assigned by owners.

FOUNDER/DIRECTOR - "KEN-YA HELP US?" PROJECT 2007 - 2011

With the goal to show my children another side of life, I proposed an idea to have a community-wide, kid-led carnival to provide tuition for kids in rural Kenya supported by the Global Interfaith Partnership's Umoja Project. In four years, the Kenya Carnival has netted over \$100,000 to support 110 Kenyan children. In 2011, the leadership team was comprised of 26 youth leaders and 12 adult mentors with over 200 volunteers on Carnival

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day with support from 8 faith-based congregations and 10 schools. Kenya Clubs have been started at four high schools to expand the project. In summer of 2009, our family and team members traveled to Kenya to meet the students the project supports.

MOM'S MINISTRY, FACILITATOR, SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2002-2008
Led Mom's on Monday morning Bible study as well as planned family mission projects and fellowship events for group. Wrote curriculum and weekly devotions for year-long parenting study called "Train up a Child, Train up a Parent" as well as a 27 lesson overview of the Bible. Also, taught various prepared materials such as Beth Moore studies and *A Purpose Driven Life*. Served as leader, writer, family service project organizer, and counselor to participants in group.

FAMILY MINISTRY PASTOR, NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2006-2007
Created new parenting group called "Parents with a Passion" and organized and led family mission projects and activities. Created curriculum and devotions for weekly meetings and often provided counseling outside of meetings. Also, created new family-friendly worship service, preached, and visited members in homes and hospitals.

CHAPLAIN, INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTH HOSPITAL 2008
Served as student chaplain for large hospital on north side of Indianapolis. Assigned to Pediatric ICU and Women's wing but responsible for providing pastoral care and counseling for entire hospital for most shifts. Responsibilities included being a visible presence to patients and families in difficult situations (often end of life), visiting patients, creating worship services, and providing care and counseling to hospital staff.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN PUBLICITY COORDINATOR, DEACON, FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM, BIBLE STUDY LEADER, BAZAAR LUNCHEON CHAIR, SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2002-2010
Held a variety of volunteer positions at my church including writing, organizing, and working with diverse groups of people. Served as publicity chair and wrote advertising/stories for events, was small and large group leader for the Wednesday morning Bible study (comprised of over 80 women), nominated for 3-year Deacon term as hospitality chair for Christmas Benevolence project which feeds and clothes over 800 people at Christmas, organized Bazaar luncheon for three years, and helped expand family ministry with new family worship service.

FACILITATOR/WRITER, MEDICAL ACCESS - A FOREIGNER'S GUIDE TO HEALTH CARE IN KOBE, JAPAN 1997-1998
Recognized need for a medical guide for expatriates, presented idea to Kobe city council in Japan, and obtained funding. Facilitated development of a handbook with the aide of 10 core committee volunteers and over 20 consultants from the medical community to help expatriates translate medicine from Kanji, find doctors who speak English, and prepare for medical emergencies and childbirth. The American Chamber of Commerce used our book as an example to create a similar guide for the city of Tokyo.

SUPERVISOR, TOXICOLOGY DEVELOPMENT SYSTEMS, ELI LILLY & COMPANY 1987-1993
Acted as Supervisor of Toxicology Systems Development for team of 24 staff members whose goal was to design, develop, and implement a new computer system for toxicology. Responsible for staff, budgets, administration/performance reviews, project planning, and development and design of new computer system to capture

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and report data to FDA. Company granted "Family Leave" when son was born and continued to extend it, but I did not return. (Changed career paths and returned to school for Masters degree)

INTERN, ARTHUR ANDERSEN & COMPANY 1986 (SUMMER)
Summer Intern in Technical Services Operation of Consulting Division in Chicago.

EDUCATION

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF DIVINITY (SUMMA CUM LAUDE 3.9/4.0) 2010 MASTERS

INDIANA UNIVERSITY BUSINESS, DECISION SCIENCES (MAGNA CUM LAUDE 3.78/4.0) 1987 B.S.

HONORS

Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard, Awarded City of Indianapolis Coin for Leadership & Vision - 2011

Christian Theological Seminary, Saltsburg Second Chance Scholarship - 2008-2010

Christian Theological Seminary, Trustee Award for High Academic Achievement - 2007

Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Member - 2007

Completed Disney Marathon & Chicago Triathlon - 2002

Indiana University - Vice President of Pi Beta Phi Sorority and IU Student Foundation Chairman. Earned several academic scholarships and received Beta Gamma Sigma, Phi Eta Sigma, and Alpha Lambda Delta society honors.