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2025 SPEAKERS BIOS



CRAIG GROESCHEL

FOUNDING & SENIOR PASTOR, Life.Church; BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Globally recognized as a leader of leaders, Craig Groeschel is the founding and senior Pastor of Life.Church, a three-time Gallup Exceptional Workplace Award recipient. Known for its missional approach to leveraging the latest technology, Life.Church is the creator of the YouVersion Family of Apps — installed on nearly one billion unique devices

worldwide. He hosts the top-ranked “Craig Groeschel Leadership Podcast” and is a New York Times Bestselling author. His latest book is “The Benefit of Doubt: How Confronting Your Deepest Questions Can Lead to a Richer Faith” (February 2025).



DAVID ASHCRAFT

PRESIDENT & CEO, Global Leadership Network

David Ashcraft is president and CEO of the Global Leadership Network. He is also the founder and president of The Advantage, a leadership collaborative that mentors and encourages pastors across Pennsylvania. As senior pastor of LCBC Church in Pennsylvania for 32 years, David helped grow weekly attendance from 150 people to a combined

average of more than 22,000.



CHRISTINE CAINE

**COFOUNDER, The A21 Campaign & Propel Women;
BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Christine Caine is a speaker, activist and bestselling author of more than a dozen books and studies. In 2008, Caine and her husband founded the anti-human trafficking organization The A21 Campaign, a recipient of the Mother Theresa Memorial Award for their work combating human trafficking among refugees. They also founded Equip & Empower, a ministry mobilizing people to live on mission for Jesus, and Propel Women, which comes alongside women all over the globe to activate their God-given purpose. Their ministry has also planted three life-giving Zoe Churches in Europe, bringing the Gospel to the region and serving the most vulnerable during times of crisis. She is the author of "Don't Look Back: Getting Unstuck and Moving Forward with Passion and Purpose."



JON ACUFF

INC Top 100 Leadership Speaker; BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Jon Acuff is the New York Times bestselling author of 10 books, including his most recent, "All It Takes Is a Goal: The 3-Step Plan to Ditch Regret and Tap Into Your Massive Potential." When he's not writing, Acuff can be found on a stage, as one of INC's Top 100 Leadership Speakers. He's spoken to hundreds of thousands of people at conferences, colleges and companies around the world including FedEx, Nissan, Microsoft, Lockheed Martin, Chick-fil-A, Nokia and Comedy Central. He's also helped some of the biggest brands tell their story, including The Home Depot, Bose and Staples.



JULIET FUNT

FOUNDER & CEO, Juliet Funt Group; HIGH PERFORMANCE EXPERT

A regular feature in top global media outlets, including Forbes and Fast Company, Juliet Funt is a tough-love advisor to the Fortune 500. As the founder and CEO of the firm Juliet Funt Group, she is an evangelist for freeing the potential of companies by unburdening their talent from busywork. She has brought her powerful concepts to Spotify, National Geographic, Anthem, Vans, Abbott, Costco, Pepsi, Nike, Wells Fargo, Sephora, Sysco and ESPN. Juliet is also the author of "A Minute to Think," nominated for the Next Big Idea Club curated by Malcolm Gladwell, Dan Pink, Susan Cain and Adam Grant.



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TASHA EURICH, PH.D.

Organizational Psychologist; Researcher; *BESTSELLING AUTHOR*

Tasha Eurich is an organizational psychologist, researcher and New York Times bestselling author whose mission is helping people thrive in an ever-changing world. With a PhD in Industrial-Organizational Psychology, Eurich has been recognized as the world's leading self-awareness coach and communication expert, working with clients like Google,

Salesforce, the NBA, Nestlé and the White House Leadership Development Program. As principal of The Eurich Group — a boutique firm helping executives transform when stakes are high — she is a truth teller to some of the world's most powerful people. She's written three books, "Bankable Leadership," "Insight" (which famed Wharton professor Adam Grant calls one of the three books he recommends most often), and most recently, "Shatterproof: How to Thrive in a World of Constant Chaos (And Why Resilience Alone Isn't Enough)."



JOHN C. MAXWELL

Leadership Expert; *BESTSELLING AUTHOR*

John C. Maxwell has spent his life helping people. His mission is to add value to leaders who multiply value to others. In pursuit of this desire, he has founded multiple organizations, written more than 90 books selling 38 million copies, produced six New York Times bestsellers including a number one, trained more than 5 million leaders in 180

countries and created the largest coaching company in the world. Business Insider called him America's #1 leadership authority, and Inc. Magazine identified him as the most popular leadership expert in the world. The recipient of the Horatio Alger Award and the Mother Teresa Prize for Global Peace and Leadership from the Luminary Leadership Network, Maxwell is still growing, writing, speaking and creating transformative programs in the U.S. and around the world. John is joining us as a speaker for his 6th Global Leadership Summit!



BRADLEY RAPIER

FOUNDER, Groove Theory; *AWARD-WINNING CHOREOGRAPHER*

Bradley Rapier is an award-winning, Emmy-nominated choreographer with over three decades of experience in dance, production and leading teams and talent from Hollywood to Broadway. He has made guest appearances on "The Ellen Show," "So You Think You Can Dance" and "Dancing with the Stars." He is also creator of the acclaimed Off-Broadway

production "GROOVALOO," creative director of L.A.'s Cantinas Arts Foundation and has collaborated with the Tony-winning directors of "Hamilton" and "Jersey Boys" multiple times. Bradley developed Groove Theory, a framework which helps leaders create atmospheres where productivity, creativity and well-being soar. His first book, "Step in the Circle," is set to be released spring 2025.



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ERICA DHAWAN

**Leading Authority on 21st Century Teamwork,
Collaboration & Innovation; *BESTSELLING AUTHOR***

Erica Dhawan is an internationally recognized authority on 21st-century teamwork, collaboration and innovation. Named by Thinkers50 as the “Oprah of Management Thinkers,” Dhawan shares innovative strategies to unlock the collective power of teams, build a culture of trust across any distance and create authentic engagement to ensure competitiveness. Considered one of the management thinkers most likely to shape the future of business, Dhawan frequently appears in Harvard Business Review, Fast Company and Wall Street Journal. She is the author of two books: “Get Big Things Done: The Power of Connectional Intelligence” and “Digital Body Language: How to Build Trust and Connection, No Matter the Distance.”



JAMES HEWITT, PH.D.

Human Performance Scientist; *AUTHOR*

James Hewitt is a human performance scientist who provides some of the world’s top-performing businesses with science-backed strategies for achieving sustainable high performance. Combining firsthand experience as a full-time racing cyclist with groundbreaking research, proven on Formula 1 tracks and in Fortune 500 companies, Hewitt integrates endurance sports strategies with insights from neuroscience, physiology and psychology to reveal a future where well-being fuels business success. Hewitt holds a doctorate in performance science and is the founder of the Knowledge Work Lab, a human high-performance consulting firm that serves some of the world’s leading companies.



STEPHANIE CHUNG

**FORMER CHIEF GROWTH OFFICER, Wheels Up;
SALES & LEADERSHIP EXPERT**

Stephanie Chung made history as the first African American and second female president of a major private aviation company. As an aviation sales leader, she generated \$1B in revenue annually, and she now brings her 30 years of experience to coach others in the neuroscience of sales and leadership. Chung serves on the Make-A-Wish Board and collaborates with senior national security leaders through Business Executives for National Security, helping solve some of the nation’s most complex security challenges. A prolific author whose work has been translated into 60 different languages, her most recent book is “Ally Leadership: How to Lead People Who Are Not Like You.”



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GABRIEL SALGUERO

PASTOR, The Gathering Place; **PRESIDENT**, National Latino Evangelical Coalition

The Rev. Gabriel Salguero is pastor of The Gathering Place, a multi-ethnic Assemblies of God congregation in Orlando, Florida. Salguero is also the president and founder of the National Latino Evangelical Coalition, a coalition of several thousand evangelical congregations in the United States. Salguero has served on the White House Faith-Based Advisory Council and has been named as one of the U.S.'s most prominent Latino evangelical leaders by the New York Times, CNN Español and NBC Universal. In addition, his leadership on issues of young male education and criminal justice reform has been featured by the Discovery Channel and the Oprah Winfrey Network.



THASUNDA BROWN DUCKETT

PRESIDENT & CEO, TIAA; FORMER CEO of Consumer Bank & Auto Finance, JP Morgan Chase

Thasunda Brown Duckett is a visionary leader dedicated to fostering financial opportunity for all. She is the President and CEO of TIAA, a leading provider of secure retirements and outcome-focused investment solutions. Before joining TIAA in 2021, she held several key executive roles during a 17-year career at JP Morgan Chase, including CEO of the Consumer Bank and Auto Finance. In 2024, Duckett was listed as one of the TIME100 Most Influential People in the World and named a CNBC Changemaker. Duckett serves on various boards, including NIKE, Inc., Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights and the Dean's Advisory Board for Baylor University's Hankamer School of Business. Duckett has received a wide array of accolades from financial media, including Fortune, Forbes, Barron's and American Banker.