

TIFFANY STAMAN: BIOGRAPHY



Tiffany Staman is a pioneering, visionary leader passionate about people, causes, and life-long learning, experienced in serving organizations that empower others to reach their full potential and help change the world.

Tiffany was born and raised in Northern Illinois, the youngest of five children. Her spiritual journey began at a very young age, when her mother prayed with her to accept Jesus Christ into her life. At sixteen, she rededicated her life to Christ and felt God undeniably calling her to use her one and only life to serve the Kingdom of God.

She earned a bachelor's degree in Youth Ministry from Judson University (Elgin, IL), and spent the next sixteen years in pastoral ministry as a youth pastor, worship & arts pastor, spiritual formation assistant, and lead pastor of a church plant. She helped plant two churches as well as served medium-sized and mega churches, including Willow Creek Community Church. In 2005, she decided to pursue a master's degree in Global Leadership from Fuller Seminary (Pasadena, CA). This experience broadened her perspective of leadership and gave her tools to practice incarnational missional living.

Born from her passion to help people grow, she founded Breathing Space in 2006 with the mission to provide the space and tools for people to listen and respond to God. She accomplished this mission by facilitating retreats to introduce spiritual disciplines and provide space for people to practice them in camp settings. She enjoys mentoring men and women of all ages, leading retreats, and speaking at conferences. She also consults with staff teams and boards to help them navigate conflict or clarify mission and strategy. Helping individuals and organizations thrive in a healthy culture and accomplish their mission brings her immense joy.

After completing her master's degree, Tiffany began working in the nonprofit sector, where she began learning the critical skills of fund development and non-profit leadership. After several years in organizations that serve the homeless, she accepted the position as the Executive Director of The Pregnancy Care Center of Rockford, which offers help and hope to 50-60 women each week experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Leading a staff of nine and 55-60 weekly volunteers, she seeks to inspire and empower her team to use their one and only life to speak into the lives of those often overlooked and marginalized. Her desire is to empower women to make informed and educated choices that lead to their best possible future.

On the weekends, she serves as one of the teaching pastors at Grassroots Church in Rockford. She is active in the Rockford community by participating in the Chamber of Commerce Advantage Club Originals and serving as President of Rockford Network of Professional Women and Association of Fundraising Professionals. In 2018, she achieved the national certification as a Fund-Raising Executive (CFRE) and was named as one of Rockford, Illinois' "Twenty People You Should Know." In the past, she has served as a board member for Spark Ventures, a Chicago-based non-profit dedicated to helping vulnerable children, through which she travelled to Zambia to provide leadership training for African teachers and leaders.

Through it all, she has been married to her soulmate, Cam, for 26 years, and they are very excited for what God has for the next chapter of their life. While Cam runs his thriving business, Against the Grain, (atgprojects.com), he and Tiffany have always done ministry together, and their dream from before they got married has been to serve together in camp ministry, which marries their love of creation and their love of mentoring and discipleship. They also love mentoring young, engaged and married couples and are certified Prepare/Enrich facilitators.

Cam and Tiffany have one daughter and two sons; Taylor (age 22), who recently graduated from George Fox University with a double major in Youth Ministry/Missions and lives in Newberg, OR; Payton (age 20) who is a junior at the University of Indianapolis, where he is a college diver and Mechanical Engineering/ Physics major; and Graham (age 18) who is enrolled in Praxis, a non-traditional entrepreneurship program where he is about to begin an apprenticeship for a start-up company.



For the past ten years, their family has travelled and camped in National Parks from Acadia to the Redwoods. Tiffany also loves to read, hike with her black lab, Aspen, and enjoy dinner and a movie with Cam. She and Cam love God with all their hearts and are deeply grateful for the gift of partnering with God's Kingdom here on earth. Their mission is to bring the light of Christ in whatever corner of the world God calls them.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

"He has shown you, O humankind, what is good and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8