



*Michele Irby Johnson*

## Speaker | Trainer | Coach

**Michele Irby Johnson** is a disabled veteran, survivor of domestic violence, wife, mother, speaker, trainer, coach, Talk Show Host, Pastor, and educator. She is a published author of three literary works, *Love's TKO: A Testimony of Abuse, Victory and Healing*; *Grace for Your Journey: Sermons of Survival in the Wilderness*; *In Recovery: Rising From the Ruins* as well as a Co-Author of the #1 Best Seller *Women Inspiring Nations Volume Three: I'm Still Standing*. She has two new literary works on the table to be released later this year: *Boots and Beyond: Stories of Trials, Tragedy, Triumph, and Transition*; and *My Bald Is Beautiful: I Am Not My Hair*.

Michele believes that every experience – the good, the bad, and the indifferent – has been providential in shaping her into the woman she is today. As one who was constantly told to be quiet because she “talked too much” or who was told that no one would want to hear anything she had to say, she uses those moments of rejection and pain to EMPOWER individuals and organizations to reach their full potential and purpose, TRANSFORMING them from a posture of complacency to being able to ENVISION their tomorrow TODAY! Her compassion for those who are hurting or for those who desire to thrive beyond the failures of yesterday, is the foundation that affords her the opportunity to coach individuals from despair into purpose.

As a speaker and trainer, Michele commands the stage to captivate her audience through animated storytelling, humor, wisdom, and authenticity. She understands that she is on the platform to impart and to transfer what the audience needs beyond the conclusion of the event. She injects herself into the moment and shifts the atmosphere prompting listeners to decide what is important to them, how they should respond, and if they want to enact change in their lives or in the businesses.

Michele is the visionary for the **Arise and Inspire Speaker's Bootcamp** which provides a four-day/eight-hour intensive experience where amateur speakers can learn the tools and techniques needed to mount the stage as a speaker. Once attendees have completed the bootcamp, they are invited to participate in the two-day **Arise and Inspire Speaker's Summit**, where they share their stories before an in-person and virtual audience, with opportunities to acquire speaking engagements, new clients, and a connection to a network of experienced speakers.

Her concern for individuals and families not being prepared for the inevitability of their demise, Michele hosts an **Estate Planning Seminar** to help people understand what they need to be ready. Albeit a difficult topic of discussion, it is vital that individuals make such a preparation a priority, not just for their loved ones, but for themselves. This seminar is available for group, organizations,

and teams as well. Michele provides consultation and assistance to individuals with their specific preparation needs.

**A self-proclaimed transformational architect**, Michele's passion is taking something in its rough and raw state, and she partners with individuals and organizations along their journey towards greatness through loss, trauma or abuse, healing, self-discovery, confidence-building, conflict-resolution, and reinvention. Michele's countless skills translate beyond her speaking, training, and coaching arenas as she helps entrepreneurs, educators, authors, clergy, institutions of higher learning, and community leaders to realize their vision by providing virtual assistant services that ease the burden of the cumbersome, day-to-day tasks that often hinder forward movement and success. Her goal is to get individuals and organizations back to productivity and profitability by adding value to their lives through time and project management, administrative support, and curriculum/training development.

To experience Michele's range of work and services, visit [iam-mij.com](http://iam-mij.com) and [optimumpvs.com](http://optimumpvs.com). Watch her virtual talk show "Life Matters with Michele" on YouTube at Life Matters with Michele TV Official and her ministry messages at Grace Point TV Official. She is intentional in all that she does to leave God's footprint in the spirit of those she encounters... Her living is not in vain!

### **Credentials**

- Masters of Arts - Human Resource Development
- Masters of Arts - Human Services Counseling (Crisis Response and Trauma)
- Bachelors of Science - Human Resource Management
- Associates of Applied Science - Education and Training Management
- Associates of Applied Science - Social Services
- Certified Transformation Life Coach

### **Affiliations (not all inclusive):**

- Speaker Hub
- Leadership Experience Tour / Shawn Fair Consulting Group
- Veterans-n-Transition
- Women's Veteran Interactive
- Association of Christians in Leadership, Advisor
- Transformation Academy