

My OPUS by Scott Benham

Over-arching Vision: *My Big Dream*

I Have A Dream...

Of proudly standing in front of hundreds of my applauding colleagues while being recognized as the top salesperson at Software AG. Nobody in the company has accomplished what I have in such a short tenure. I am humbled and excited for the recognition from my peers and senior executives. Most of all, I am excited for those that I have influenced along the way.

I have a wonderful family life with a marriage that gets stronger daily. I find new ways to intentionally love my wife each day. Our love and respect for one another is contagious and our boys are secure because of it. We are intentional about communication and working through the difficulties of life. We are passionate about and support each other in our growth paths and strive to live authentic lives. Our business of mentoring men, women, and couples continues to grow and our passion for Restoring Hope by Rewriting Stories is helping deliver people from their pain & limiting beliefs resulting in transformed lives.

Our business is growing and affords us the opportunity to impact thousands of people all around the world with our story of transformation and helping them realize their true potential through the process of authoring their OPUS. Our story and passion inspires lives and we are connecting with more people each day to walk them through their own growth journey.

Restoring Hope by Rewriting Stories is pervasive in our lives - we live what we teach. Our income exceeds our wildest expectations and needs. With it, we are able to continually invest in our family and God's work all around the world. We spend time traveling to new places with our family and creating new memories to reflect on for a lifetime. We invest in our business and means of connecting people with our purpose. We have partners in several countries and the message of Restoring Hope by Rewriting Stories is spreading each day.

Through God's grace we are working together to transform lives. By living our work, we are reinforcing a foundation of faith, truth, gratitude, and grace. Our children are growing up in a loving, honest, and spirit-filled family that encourages them to explore and pursue their gifts in a variety of ways.

We experience life different now. We happen to our lives, not the other way around. It's a gift-each-day-each-interaction sort of mentality with joyous celebration of all of life's victories!

Tribe - Cause – Space

Tribe (Someone) - Imagine a tribe who care for each other and bear each other's burdens like they were family. A tribe who break down the lies that have held them back for as long as they

can remember, who are fueled by the desire to be released from the restraints of their past and free to live a restored life on their terms in the future.

Cause (Something) - Imagine a cause of leading people down a pathway to restoring their hope by assisting them in rewriting their stories and releasing them from their limitations.

Space (Somewhere) - Imagine an environment - one of care, trust, abundance, and authenticity. Where overcoming and embracing change are a reality because they believe that there is hope. They are defined by the choices they make when faced with change.

Purpose: *The Defining Statement of My Work*

Restoring Hope by Rewriting Stories

Unifying Strategies: *What's Necessary for Me to Achieve This?*

Personal Growth - My individual growth includes both emotional and physical health and committing myself to their pursuit.

Marriage Growth - Since my marriage is the foundation of our family, cultivating the health of my marriage is a priority.

Spiritual Growth - I commit to growing in intimacy with Christ in thought, heart, and spirit through prayer, study, and listening.

Parental Growth - Because our children are our legacy, I commit to continually love, listen, and learn with them. I will cherish the ordinary as extraordinary and embrace each season with grace.

Growth Pathways - God gave me this story of transformation and deliverance from shame, guilt and pain to share with others that are in need through a variety of channels (spoken, written, visual, and social).

Scorecard for Significance: *How do I Know I am Hitting My Target?*

Personal Growth

- Relearn – Read media that leads me to truth and positive self-image
- Reflect – Take time to consider how my words and actions affect those around me
- Recess – Have fun with exercise and adventure listen

Marriage Growth

- Rediscover – My wife as a gift in everyday
- Relax – Intentionally find time to just *be* with each other
- Rebuild – Embrace seasons of change and strengthen each other through it

Spiritual Growth

- Ready – Invest time into reading and praying over scripture
- Reverence – Purposeful time to reflect
- Redeem – Walk the talk

Parental Growth

- Reduce – Less is more
- Rejoice – Take the time to have fun, be silly, and be thankful for the gift of family
- Reassess – Change course when necessary

Growth Pathways

- Reach – Encourage others to discover their hidden potential
- Relate – Share the story of our transformed lives
- Restore – Awaken the hope that lies within others
- Rewrite – Author a different story compared to the one you've been living

Six Pack

1. **Worldview - What I Believe**

God - I believe that God is the author and creator of life.

Love - I believe that God is in constant pursuit of our hearts to reconcile us to Himself and restore our hope in Jesus.

Faith - I believe that faith is the only true compass for an abundant life.

Providence - I believe that God intervenes in our lives purposefully and perfectly.

Forgiveness - I believe that forgiveness unshackles us from our past and releases us to live in the present.

Pain - I believe that pain is inevitable and we are molded by how we respond to pain in our lives.

Action -I believe that God has a plan for our lives and draws us closer to His plan if we're willing to listen and act.

2. Identity - Who I Am

Faithful -I am a follower of Jesus, who full of gratitude relies on God's grace to transform my heart each day to become more like Him.

Husband - I am a husband, who is faithful and intentional about my marriage and relationship with my wife.

Loving - I am able to be fully loving, because I am fully loved.

Father -I am a father, who loves his sons in prayer, play, deed, and discipline.

Forgiving -I am forgiving, who is an addict for second chances - deserved or not.

Son -I am a son, who honors and desperately wants his parents to know Jesus Christ.

Real -I am a firm handshake, a helping hand, a genuine smile, and a listening ear to each person I meet.

Brother -I am a brother, who wants to pull my sibling out of darkness and into his true potential.

Steadfast -I am steadfast in my desire to know and be known.

Friend -I am a friend, who cares for & challenges the condition of my friends' hearts and opens mine to them.

Family -I am an in-law, who freely opens my heart and love to my whole family.

Leader -I am a servant leader who is attentive to the growth and development of those around me.

3. Principles - What I Value

Adventure - I value the act of embracing the unknown.

Community -I value sharing life and experiences with others.

Encouragement - I value inspiring others.

Truth - I value honesty and authenticity.

Progress - I value learning, application, and growth in all areas of life.

Gratitude - I value thankfulness and am on constant watch to give praise.

Compassion - I value honoring, caring for, and empathy for others.

4. **Passion - What I Love**

God - I love that I serve a faithful God who promises to complete the work that he created and began in my life

Active - I love being active in nature

Transformation - I love celebrating transformation in my life and the lives of others

Overcome - I love overcoming unexpected or uncertain circumstances

Challenges - I love challenging the status quo

Celebration - I love entertaining friends and family

5. **Purpose - Why I Live and Work**

God - I live to honor God

Family - I live to love and care for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of my family

Adventure - I live to be daring and experience adventures in a variety of flavors

Serve - I live to serve others by helping release them from their pain

Hope - I live to Restore Hope by Rewriting Stories

6. **Process - How I Will do it**
P.O.P. (Playbook of Productive Action)