



Michelle Marie Hernandez

Artist, Author, & Speaker

Gifted Writer

Michelle is a gifted writer with over twenty years of professional communications experience. Her ability to learn, organize, and convey information has helped advance the missions of businesses, churches, hospitals, universities, and other nonprofit ministries. Michelle provides writing and editing services on a freelance basis. She also writes:

- Articles
- Bible Studies
- Blog Posts
- Books
- Cards
- Devotionals
- Newsletters
- Poetry

Captivating Speaker

Michelle speaks to diverse audiences, ranging from students and leaders to women and writers. She has reached thousands through conferences, courses, meetings, women's retreats, and worship services. People describe her messages as authentic, life-changing, polished, timely, and uplifting. Below are some of Michelle's most memorable speaking engagements so far.

- Teaching her Bible study about the healing journey
- Delivering sermons as a pastoral intern
- Sharing her message, "Step Forth," at the 2011 baccalaureate service at Taylor High School, where she graduated as valedictorian in 1996
- Reading her poem, "A Tribute to Peace Officers," upon graduating from the Taylor Police Department 2011 Citizens' Police Academy
- Presenting "My Body Against Me: Exploring Spirituality Through Autoimmune Disease," along with her doctor and mentor/minister, at the Institute for Spirituality and Health in the Texas Medical Center in Houston

Respected Leader

As an entrepreneur, homeschool teacher, mother, and patient leader advocate—Michelle guides people with wisdom and skill. She founded her creative business, Abiding Communications, in August 2009. In April 2011, she established and presided over a new Inspirational Writers Alive! (IWA!) chapter in her hometown of Taylor, Texas. Michelle has served in various other leadership roles such as president of Central Houston IWA! and president of the Taylor Area Ministerial Alliance. One of her favorite leadership assignments was serving as president of the Czech Club at The University of Texas at Austin, where she earned bachelor's degrees in business and liberal arts, with honors, in 2000.

Please contact Michelle to learn more about her writing, editing, and training services.

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"Michelle's words are an art form (on a higher level), and she is the painter."

—Rick, husband

"Michelle is a highly effective communicator and leader who employs practical and relevant wisdom that not only sets captives free, but also helps to heal life's hurts, wounds, and disappointments."

—Renee Branson, ordained minister on staff at Lakewood Church and director of Mountain Top Ministries

"The work of Michelle's hands and mouth for the Kingdom of God are powerful, uplifting, and definitely thought-provoking. She inspires all of us to be "healed" and to be "healers" of one another by living our lives in such a way that the world will know the One who is truly the Great Physician, Jesus. Michelle's sincerity of heart shines through all her words of wisdom!"

—Rev. Linda V. Chandler, pastor of Austin Brethren Church and founder/CEO of HOST Ministries

Speaking Topics for Healing

Beloved, You Are Beautiful*

Do you ever feel flawed? If you want to run and hide when compared with others, don't. You are unique and made to be different. Discover the freedom in being you, so you can go forth and be who you are—beautiful.

Healing One Step at a Time: Progressing on the Journey to Health and Wholeness

Are you struggling with the challenges that come with autoimmune conditions? Do you need comfort, guidance, and refreshment for your weary soul? If so, this ten-week Bible study is for you. The hope and truth you find will encourage and strengthen you to take steps on your journey to health and wholeness.

Help, I'm Hurting! — Hope for Healing

We all face disappointments, illness, loss, rejection, and other hard things in life. When we are hurting, there is hope for comfort and healing. Discover the real help that is available to soothe your aching body, heart, and mind.

Living Well So You Can Work Well

We all have a job to do. Often, we cannot do our work well, if at all, when we are hurting, sick, or tired. Learn practical tips that will equip and motivate you to live well, so you can work well.

Speaking Topics for Creators

Art in Your Heart*

Do you sense there is art in your heart? Take some time to draw out what God knit within you. Begin to see the handmade as very good and press past what hinders you from creating works of art.

Called to Write

Writing is more than a hobby. Writing is a sacred, lifelong calling. Learn how to recognize your unique calling and move forward, impacting others with your written words.

Gifted and Talented on Purpose

Have you considered what comes naturally to you? Everyone is good at something. You are gifted on purpose, for a purpose. Dig up the hidden talent that lies within you and start using your gifts to accomplish remarkable things.

Speaking for Writers*

Would you like to take your writing to a whole new level? You can through speaking. Discover the connection between speaking and writing, how to maximize speaking opportunities near you, and tips for speaking well.

Speak Up: A Voice Set Free

Of all creation, only people can communicate in words. Yet, speaking is most people's greatest fear. Whether you are a writer, leader, or the neighbor next door, you have something to say. Hear how to overcome the hindrances that silence you and get ready to speak up!

Turning Data into Development Communications*

Homes and organizations are storehouses of data. Bits and pieces of information may seem irrelevant on their own, but they can be significant—especially when connected and shared. Learn how to uncover and utilize the information you have and need to create effective development communications that help achieve your vision.

Write, Write, Write

You may want to author a book, create an inspiring message for a friend, or pen a powerful testimony to share with others. Increase your knowledge and skills with these practical tips. Then see what unfolds as you write, write, write.

* These speaking topics are also available as workshops with hands-on activities. For more information, contact Michelle Marie Hernandez at michelle@michellemariehernandez.com, 713-852-7477, PO Box 425, Taylor, TX 76574, or www.MichelleMarieHernandez.com.

She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

— Proverbs 31:26 (NIV)