

# Rebekah Garvin

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# Objective

Seeking a teaching position in a public / private college or university.

## **Work Experience**

# Teshuvah Ministries, Executive Director, June 2013-Present

Leader and developer of a global ministry. Leadership responsibilities: planning, coordinating, catering and hosting events; inspiring a shared vision; public speaking; teaching; communication; writing comprehensive educational materials for Biblical Hebrew studies; website and social media development & maintenance; graphic design, photography and printing for marketing materials; video production, directing and editing.

## A Chance Encounter Photography, November 2003-Present

Professional photographer in a high-end photography studio serving the Inland Northwest. Journalistic, studio and natural light digital photography. Weddings, dance, families, babies, real estate, product (Oxyfresh) and event photography.

### Starlight Publishing, Editor and Publisher, January 2001-Present

Published author and founder of Starlight Publishing. A boutique publishing company that provides layout, design, editing and publishing services for print-on-demand books. Publisher and editor for the Ink Times News and Dr. David L. Perry, Th.D.'s books, Back to the Melchizedek Future and Covenants of Promise.

#### Ink Time Design, Inc., January 1996-2004

Founder and lead designer for a national design firm. Created corporate identity for our camp and conference center clients by designing and producing excellent marketing materials (print, web and photography). Followed jobs through from conception, art, proofing, pre-press, press and finally to bulk mailing. Travelled the US showcasing our work at annual AACP and CCI conventions.

## **Skills/Masteries**

- Public Speaking and Leadership
- Biblical Hebrew Studies
- Event Planning, Catering and Hosting
- Highly skilled in Photography [Canon] (composition, lighting, editing)
- Highly skilled in the Mac Platform (Photoshop, Premier Pro, InDesign)
- Social Media Marketing (Facebook, Eventbrite, Linkedin, Prezi, Versal, Survey Monkey, WordPress and Email Marketing)

# Public Speaking Experience

- Shabbat-in-the-Woods Weekly group leader; Coeur d'Alene, ID (2015-2016)
- Teshuvah Ministries week-long featured speaker, Sukkot; Wolf Lodge, ID (2015)
- Photography Workshop Presenter at Charter High School; CD'A, ID (2009)



- Career Guest Speaker; Post Falls High School, ID (2008)
- Guest Speaker at Sunrise Ministries Service; Stateline, ID (2005)
- Marketing Workshop Speaker for the National SDA Principals; Portland, OR (2002)
- Young Women's Weekend Retreat speaker; Laurel Lake, PN (2002)
- NIC Graphics Design Portfolio Class annual guest speaker; L. Umthun (1997-1999)
- Week long Academy Joint Worship speaker; UCC Spangle, WA (1999)

# Teaching and Leadership Experience

- Executive Director, Teshuvah Ministries
- President, Hebrew Roots Club, Boise State University
- Owner, Ink Time Design, Inc.
- Charter High School and Awana guest photography instructor
- Substitute English and Art Teacher, Lakeland School District, ID
- Kindergarten teacher and environment creator, CDA SDA Church

# Performance Experience

- Camp MiVoden Song Drama Performer and Director, 1989-2002
- Associate Adventist Camping Professional Drama Conference Instructor, 2002

#### **Published Works**

The Princess Warrior Prayer, 2015

Mastery of Matzah Cookbook, 2016

<u>Commandment Keepers</u>; weekly column for the online Magazine, 2010-2012 <u>Notes from the Road, Vol 1, 2007</u>; collaboration with other authors to produce a book of personal stories and poetry of journey and restoration.

<u>Treasures of the Kingdom</u>, 2007; collaboration with 12 other authors to produce a book of true stories of hope and rescue.

Conversations with Our Kindergartner, 2006

The Ink Times, 2000-2002; editor and wrote extensively for this newspaper

<u>Toolbox Magazine</u>, 1991-1992; Worked with the Youth Department Director, Gordon Pifher of the UCC of SDA's to develop, write and publish a handbook resource for children's department teachers and youth leaders.

**Professional On-Campus Collaboration and Group Work** (most of the following included research, program development and initiation, filming, editing and presenting).

#### BSU River Café Documentary, 2014

Worked directly with BSU's Chef Philippe Didier, Executive Chef, ARAMARK, the BSU River Cafe' and a team of college students to produce a documentary for Advanced Cinematography class.

#### Group2Team Video and Group Project, 2014

Worked with a small group of 6 college students and the Academic Advising Office (AAO) at Boise State University (BSU) to develop a team building program. Implemented our 2-hour Group2Team program and follow-up for the AAO's staff.

- Wrote Grant for the non-profit Boise Urban Garden School (BUGS), 2014
   Worked directly with BUGS Executive Director, Erin Guerricabeitia to write a
   grant directed to the board members of the KAMPE Foundation requesting
   money to establish the school's new educational garden and facility in the
   Combra Park in Boise where they would expand their facility and serve more
   children in their after-school gardening program.
- The Melchizedek Feast Diva Community TV Show, 2014
   Worked together with the Boise State University Television Productions (UTP) to



produce what has become a popular YouTube 35 minute community TV Show on how to celebrate Israelite holidays. Wrote, produced, directed and starred in it alongside my special needs daughter, Hadassah.

- Hebrew Roots Club at BSU, Founder and President, July 2014-2015 Worked with the Student Involvement and Leadership Center, the Biblical Studies Center and the Associated Students of Boise State University to create the constitution for and to establish a student group on campus. Served as the club's First President. Duties included: presiding over club meetings, inspiring a shared vision among the students, securing grant funding, advertising, purchasing, hosting weekly and annual events, administration duties, video production, team building, social media communication, Org Sync Portal development and maintenance, video production and general leadership.
- Jewish Celebrations, Boise State University (BSU), 2014-2015
   Worked directly with the Biblical Studies Center, the Security, Transportation and Parking Services and the River Cafe' on the BSU Campus to successfully establish on-campus Purim, Chanukkah and Yom Teruah celebrations and a free weekly Shabbat dinner gatherings to encourage this student and community demographic.
- Global Showcase, 2014-2015

Worked with the Campus Programs Coordinator, Melinda Jean Stafford to secure, design and showcase the history of Israel in the BSU Student Union Building's Global Showcase for 2 semesters.

• Chanukkah Celebration, North Idaho College (NIC) Diversity Department, 2013 Worked directly with the NIC Diversity Department to get approval, funding, location for a Jewish holiday. Also, worked with Chef Rick Shultz, NIC Culinary Department to cater the event for 133 people.

## **Higher Education**

# BA in MDS, Boise State University, Graduated in 2014

Bachelor's degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. Focus was in communication classes such as: Advanced Cinematography, Theater Stage Lighting, Creativity and Design, Advanced Photoshop, Community TV, Grant Writing, Conflict Management, Small Group Communication and Case Studies in Leadership.

AS, North Idaho College, Graduated in 2013

Focused in Commercial Art classes.

#### Awards/Honors

- Boise State University Dean's list Spring, Summer and Winter of 2014.
- Winner of the North Idaho College Speech Contest, 1995
- North Idaho College Popcorn Forum logo contest winner, 1994-1995

#### **Volunteer Work**

#### Down Syndrome Advocate, 2002-Present

Worked with the Coeur d'Alene and Boise School Districts to create and maintain an Individual Education Plan (IEP) for my daughter, Hadassah.

## **Interpreter for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**, 15 years

Summer Camps, Swim Team, Day care

#### Camper Scholarship Fund, 1996-2004

Raised \$14k to send underprivileged kids to summer camps across the country **Missionary to Malaysia**, 1991-1992

Girls Director, Photographer, VBS Director, Assistant Youth Director