

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Brian Moore, President and CEO
Passages Connecting Fathers and Sons, Inc.



Dr. Brian Moore is the Founder, President and CEO of Passages, Inc. a non-profit organization that has been serving the Greater Cleveland community for more than 20 years; providing a myriad of services to Cuyahoga County residents; Passages, Inc. has six primary areas of concentration (a) **Family Reunification Project**; (b) **Re-entry**; (c) **Father and Son Retreats/Dads and Daughter Retreats**; (d) **Transitional housing for individuals returning to the community from incarceration** and (e) **Workforce Development Programming**; (f) **Black and Brown Dialogues**. Passages' also has offices in Portage and Lorain counties. Dr. Brian Moore has worked in more than 250 correctional institutions throughout country. Carrying a message of hope and encouraging fathers to become actively involved in the lives of their children. He served as a prison chaplain at Grafton Honor Farm, Grafton, Ohio during the 80's. Rev Dr. Brian Moore has conducted hundreds of job readiness workshops throughout the country; he speaks nationally regarding the challenges of hard to place clients. Dr. Brian Moore is a Master Certified Trainer in Fatherhood Development; also is certified facilitator in the Inside Out Dads curriculum. Dr. Moore is the President of Ohio Practitioners Network for Fathers and Families; serves on the Alchemy, Inc. Board of Directors; The National Baptist Convention, USA Board of Directors; Prison Fellowship Ministries, District Commissioner of Scouting (Boy Scouts of America, Inc. - Greater Cleveland Chapter) The National Hungry Task Force of America, N.A.A.C.P, The Healthy Fatherhood Initiative, The American Indian Education Center; Co-Chairman, Cuyahoga County Subcommittee, Employment, Training and Education; and formerly served on the Domestic Violence Center of Cleveland and a litany of other organizations and foundations.

Dr. Brian Moore attended the American Theological Seminary and holds a Bachelor of Arts, Master's and Doctorate of Divinity He is Pastor Emeritus of the InTouch Christian Center (a non-denominational church); located on Cleveland's eastside Rev. Dr. Brian Moore has previously served as the Pastor of the Main Street Baptist Church of Seattle, Washington; Senior Assistant Pastor of the Second Bethlehem Baptist Church (Cleveland, OH) for 7 years. Dr. Brian Moore has been a licensed and ordained minister for more than thirty years. Dr. Moore is the Assistant Pastor of Trinity Outreach Ministries, Cleveland, OH; and the Pastor of Social Justice.

Dr. Moore is a nationally sought speaker on a myriad of topics relative to strengthening families, engaging youth; re-entry; diversity and countless other matters confronting fragile families throughout our nation. For more than thirty years Rev. Moore has ministered in the Greater Cleveland community amassing an impressive record of accomplishments. Dr. Moore was the Chaplain at the Grafton Honor farm in Grafton, Ohio for 5 years; Rev Moore served as the Regional Director of Customer Care (Prudential Health Insurance) and ten years as a regional director for (Metlife Insurance.)

Each year hundreds of boys and their fathers attend an annual *Connecting Fathers and Sons Retreat*, the purpose of the retreat is to facilitate positive dialogue between fathers and their sons; participants successfully complete obstacle courses, canoeing, anger management classes, conflict resolution sessions and a litany of culturally specific experiences.

2008 marked Passages Third Annual *Father and Daughter Retreat*; research shows that daughters with positive relationships with their fathers are more likely to do better academically and socially. Passages, Inc. will work with these fathers and daughters to create close, productive relationships with effective communication. Passages, Inc. has effectively worked with more than 1800 boys and countless fathers throughout the years, helping them to embrace the importance of giving back to our communities. 2012 marks the 12th anniversary of the Father and Son retreats.

Through Dr. Moore's leadership, Passages, Inc. has established a solid record of achieving outcomes and a reputation of integrity in the social service community. Many social service agencies have collaborated with our organization because of Passages' reputation of working respectfully and effectively with clients.

He has worked extensively in the Greater Cleveland community to reduce incidences of gang violence, premature parenthood and has repeatedly challenged fathers and mothers develop meaningful relationships, even when they are parenting in separate households. His life philosophy is: *"If I can help somebody see their way out of difficulty, their way out of hopelessness, then I fervently believe that I will have done what God assigned to me to accomplish during this journey."*