

Gary DeGraw

Gary DeGraw has a B.S. degree in Management - Technology from Missouri Southern State University, an A.S degree in Electronics from Crowder College and in May 2012 received his A.A degree in Addiction Counseling from Crowder College. Gary is a Recognized Associate Substance Abuse Counselor II (RASACII) with the state of Missouri. He is presently under the supervision of Kathy Guebara, MS, MPA.

He has been consulting small business since June of 2003 after leaving a twenty-three (23) career with Eagle-Picher. He has also been helping INSIGHT, as a facilitator for Personal Growth Retreats and Inner Child Retreats since 2008. He also volunteers at CAAIR, doing various administration duties, initial intake assessments, group facilitation and counseling. Gary worked for Eagle Picher, a major supplier of Military and Aerospace batteries in the Joplin area, for Twenty-three (23) years. During this time he held the positions as the Commercial Lithium Battery Department Manager, Sales Manager, Engineering Manager, Gas Generator Department Manager and Advance Product Development Buyer. Gary left Eagle Picher to pursue other interest in the Management Consulting field. Over the past six years he has working for such companies as George S. May and Modine Manufacturing Company. With George S. May, Gary worked with many small company owners, helping them to developing management and business skills. Larger companies such as Modine he has work alongside management in order to set up, improve and run new and existing production lines. He has also temporality ran new departments until they were set up and running on their own.

While working in these positions Gary has owned a business, EMA, which has ventured into many diverse areas such as Management Consulting, the Poultry Industry, Electronic component Assembly, Video Training Productions, and Video Rental Stores. Outside of work Gary has been active in the local United Methodist Church. After the destruction of the church building by a tornado Gary was asked to serve on the Board of Trustees as they oversaw the design and construction of a new facility. He has also been on the Hospitality Committee and Worship Committee.

Gary is the owner of EMA, the President of TPN, LLC and will be the administrator of the TPN facility. He will also serve as a counselor, process group facilitator, and educator at the TPN facility until such duties can be relieved from him.