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President's Message - Power of Kindness

By now, I hope you have all moved into your 2021 groove, that your work and family life have moved past the New Year's Resolutions, and life is humming along. We are still facing unprecedented times with COVID-19, social divide, and job losses amongst other things. However, on another front, what this network makes me think about is the **power of kindness**.

We all come together in our bi-monthly meetings, in COP's, in networking gatherings, and have even created lasting friendships through the power of this network. During these exceptionally hard times, the members of this network have demonstrated that we practice what we teach: leadership, values, and **kindness** to each other. I have been on the receiving end of this kindness when I was laid off, and our tribe of practitioners reached out to assist me in finding my next adventure. I have also been the one on the assisting end, helping colleagues chart their new course in life, coaching them through the process, or just being a friendly shoulder to support them.

The **simple acts of kindness** have made me cherish this network so much. Would it surprise you to hear that our network has expanded past Central Florida? People have found us that live in other states and even other countries! That speaks volumes about each and every one of you.

We all have our own stories, some seasons the stories are amazing, and some not so amazing. It is so wonderful to know that we have an amazing tribe of GOOD people that we can reach out to for assistance and guidance, even it is just for a good laugh to continue our journey. **Kindness is the gift** we can each give each other and our community, at no cost to us or anyone else. The repayment plan for this gift is very generous, we earn a great deal of joy and happiness in return.

Thank you for being the amazing network that you are, for providing the **power of kindness**, sharing this power with each other and our community regardless of our social, political, or personal views. I will always be here to offer you the same because the **Power of Kindness** will continue to make our network amazing and will build better communities around us.

Krystena Sterling

Member's Minute

Call for GOOD Content

One of the beauties of the GOOD Network is the quality of knowledge, experiences and exchanges within our membership. As such, the Communication Team is currently developing a publication calendar with member-sourced content within OD and related fields for publication in the near future.

We would love to feature social media posts, blogs or articles by our members that discuss current and emerging trends, innovative strategies and thought-provoking reflections. Interested? Please email: commteam@goodnetwork.us for more information.

Please download the [GOOD Blog/Article Submission Guidelines](#) for more information on how to submit your content and the different ways it might be used -- including in future versions of this Newsletter.

Best Practices

We are excited about the July 9th Best Practice Meeting. Now is the time to start thinking of session topics you would like to present or would like to see presented. A call for proposals will go out in May. If you already have ideas, send comments to bimonthlyprogram@goodnetwork.us.

New and Returning Members

NEW MEMBER AND GUEST ORIENTATION

Welcome to GOOD! To learn more about our great benefits, we invite new members and guests to join us on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 6:30-7:30 PM for a virtual New Member and Guest Orientation.

Please reach out with your questions to: membership@goodnetwork.us.

REGISTER for the March 9th New Member Orientation



Erica Bader
Debbie Burkett
Terry Castillo
Catherine Fyock
Glenn Green
Aminata N'Doye
Christian Perez
Carla Rosenberg
Megan Schwartz
Marilyn Stannett
Nathaniel Swann
Rosalie Webster

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

In this issue, we would like to shine our spotlight on Wesley Cherisien. Learn more about Wes below and make sure to connect when you see him in a future meeting.

Current role/expertise: Consultant for Orlando Health managing leadership curriculum related to delegation, accountability, effective dialogue, productivity, conflict resolution, and new leader boarding.

3 words to describe him:

- Ambitious
- Conscientious
- Compassionate

What brought him to GOOD: I started my journey with Orlando Health in 2019. The team I joined was already actively involved in the GOOD network. I am thankful that I became a part of a team that valued this network and encouraged me to join; the experience and connections have been invaluable.

His favorite thing about GOOD: The GOOD network provides a great opportunity to connect with talented professionals who are experts in learning and share industry-leading practices. I have gained a great wealth of knowledge from the monthly sessions. Also, the opportunity to meet-and-greet with other members has created wonderful connections.

A fun fact about Wes: I am a self-taught musician and learned how to play the guitar during my college years. Thank you, YouTube (for the free educational videos) and John Mayer for creating the classic hits that made me want to play like him (still not even close, but I'll keep working on it).



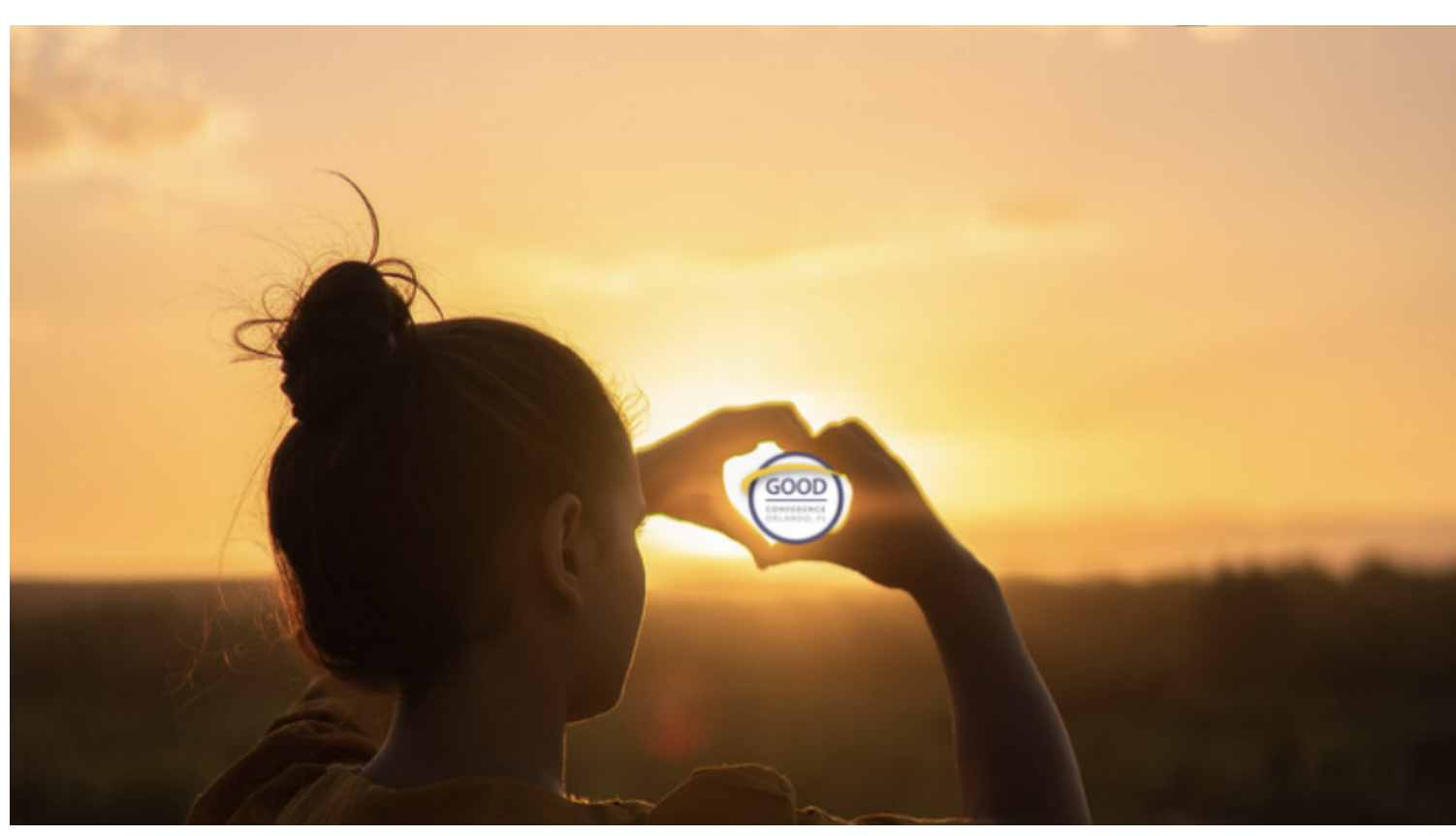
Wesley Cherisien

*Consultant
Orlando Health*

Member since 2019

Upcoming Meetings

GOOD 2021 Conference Postponed



It is with a heavy heart that the 2021 GOOD Conference Team has decided not to hold our face-to-face conference on October 15th. While we could do the conference virtually, we have made a conscious decision to host it in person as we see the value of that human-to-human connection and our members have expressed that it is a value to them. Therefore, while we yearn to gather together to connect, learn, and spend time again, the pandemic's path forward remains uncertain.

We will continue to monitor the pandemic to determine the safest time to bring the GOOD community of members, speakers, volunteers, and partners together again.

GOOD Cares!

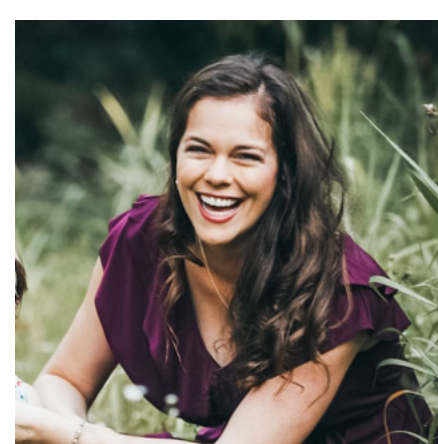
MARCH BI-MONTHLY MEETINGS

Friday, March 12, 2021 "Green Line Conversations" with Dr. Stephanie Lopez

9:00 AM to 12:15 PM ET on Zoom [Details and Registration](#)

Dr. Stephanie Lopez will share a proven crucial conversation method. She's taught hundreds of men and women how to have more direct, honest, and productive conversations with this method. She has shared this content extensively while working with NASA executives over the past 2-3 years and has been wildly successful. GOOD members will be able to leverage this tool to be more effective in their own organizations.

Register for Friday, March 19th Bimonthly



Dr. Stephanie Lopez

Internal Consultant at Kennedy Space Center for eight years has worked to increase organizational effectiveness.

Stephanie is currently transitioning out of her role at NASA to serve as an external consultant and executive coach with Gallaher Edge, LLC.

COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE MEETINGS

Project Management CoP, Thursday, March 18, 2021, 5:00 PM: "Air Table for Project Management Demonstration", [Details and Registration](#)

Coaching CoP, Friday, March 19, 2021, "Leading in a VACA World": 11:30 AM, [Details and Registration](#)

Technology CoP, Friday, March 26, 2021, 10:15 AM, [Details and Registration](#)

Internal Consulting CoP, Thursday, April 1, 2021, 8:30 AM , [Details and Registration](#)

Book Club, Wednesday, April 21, 2021, "Unconscious Bias and Belonging - Podcast": 6:00 PM, [Details and Registration](#)

DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LEADER
APRIL 1	8:30 AM	INTERNAL CONSULTING	STEPHANIE LOPEZ
APRIL 1	10:15 AM	TECHNOLOGY	STEPHANIE LOPEZ
APRIL 1	11:30 AM	COACHING	STEPHANIE LOPEZ
APRIL 1	5:00 PM	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	STEPHANIE LOPEZ
APRIL 1	6:00 PM	BOOK CLUB	STEPHANIE LOPEZ



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