



IMPACT REPORT

FEEDBACK FROM SUMMER 2017 TOUR

"Posture Shift **sheds light on the many ways our church is ill-equipped** to love the LGBT community and provides the tools to be game-changers."

"Posture Shift defines its approach clearly and firmly, so that **outreach can be flexible without fear of compromising** a biblical view of sexuality and marriage."

"This may be the most valuable training a Christian leader can experience if we want to **be Jesus to LGBT+ people and avoid losing the next generation.**"

"Posture Shift is highly recommended and very eye-opening. This training speaks directly into many issues in our church and our personal lives. **I've come to better understand compassion and forgiveness for myself and others** through this experience."

"Well-balanced presentations with a strong emphasis on grace. **It helped me better understand the isolation and risks** LGBT people experience. I really liked the missional emphasis on **LGBT people as a marginalized people group.**"

63-YEAR-OLD "PAM"

"**I came to Posture Shift to share Christ with LGBT+ people. God used the teaching to set me free of shame.** My mother left me a \$1 inheritance because I once lived in a gay relationship. Instead of feeling pain and injustice, I always felt self-condemnation and guilt about never pleasing my mother. I forgave her long ago. Today, I am free of shame!"

580

number of leaders who have experienced our two-day Posture Shift Intensives Courses across the U.S.

32

U.S. states represented at two-day Posture Shift Intensives Courses

15

nations trained or resourced

(US, Canada, Mexico, Australia, Colombia, Brazil, Malaysia, China, Germany, Britain, Kenya, Holland, South Africa, Taiwan and New Zealand)

45,000

number of pastors and leaders trained on Posture Shift since 2005

number of individuals and families given direct support services since 2005

4,000

500,000

mobilized persons of support for LGBT+ people via care, seminars and print resources since 2005

26-YEAR-OLD "NOELLE"

"In 2010, I faced the most confusing and painful years of my life. I **was 19 and just kicked out of my home.** My relationship with my family was gone because I had come out as lesbian. The depression I battled for years came down even harder as I felt everything I had known was being ripped out from under me. **I kept pushing God away because I was tired of rejection! I couldn't imagine Him offering me any kind of acceptance.** That year, I exchanged multiple personal emails with Bill Henson that gave me a shred of stability. Bill pointed me back to the Cross. He truly cared for me and understood how I was suffering. After many years of back-and-forth wrestling with God's will for my life, I finally completely surrendered my life to Jesus. **His grace has built up my life in ways I could never imagine.**"

WE HAVE SERVED SENIOR CHURCH LEADERS REPRESENTING EVANGELICAL, SOUTHERN BAPTIST, GENERAL BAPTIST, CALVARY, AOG, VINEYARD, ECO, EPC, PCUSA, UMC, COVENANT, CATHOLIC, CONVERGE, SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS, ORTHODOX, ANGLICAN AND COUNTLESS INDEPENDENT CHURCHES.

3,660

digital and print resources sold or distributed to families and ministry leaders, including *Guiding Families*, *Posture Shift Course Handbook* and *Posture Shift Implement Tool*

83,000

page views in past several months as we expand our online resources

\$10,000

raised toward our Justice Initiative to lift LGBT+ teens out of homelessness

1,000

memorial candles delivered for the Pulse 1-Year Memorial in Orlando, donated by numerous Lead Them Home supporters

MOTHER OF LESBIAN DAUGHTER

"I don't know what I would do without this ministry. It has been very hard in the evangelical church having an openly gay daughter who is married and now has children. **I want to talk about my family, but I get shut down by people who want to avoid the subject.** It hurts beyond words. To be in a women's Bible study and not be able to ask for a prayer request because my daughter is gay? That hurts! We made big mistakes with our daughter-in-law. This limits our opportunity to be with our daughter. **If I had had the opportunity to experience Posture Shift before these mistakes, things would be very different.** I learned volumes — not only about my daughter, but also about myself. Blessings to you!"

FATHER OF GAY SON

"Our son made us a video of his growing up years. He told the story of how we have always committed to love each other. When he first came out, this commitment was challenged more than ever. **In the video, he said: 'I am proud of you, Mom and Dad.'** I cried! **I am so proud of my son. We love him so much.** Thank you Bill for helping us stop making tragic mistakes that nearly cost us our relationship with our son."

PARENT OF "T" CHILD

"I have been so desperate! There is little help available in the church when your child is transgender. Without Lead Them Home, I would have made huge mistakes and possibly placed my child's life at risk! ***Guiding Families* literally saved my child's life!** I have found so many Christ-centered answers to help our family love our daughter."

MORE POSTURE SHIFT FEEDBACK

"Posture Shift is a **beautiful, compassionate, Jesus-centered approach** to loving the LGBT+ community. Lead Them Home will equip you to listen to and learn from LGBT+ neighbors and friends, so that you can be a wise witness for Jesus, **holding orthodoxy, justice, and inclusion in harmony.**"

"This is one of the most urgent, valuable, self-reflective, humbling, informative trainings. **Go! Don't delay!**"

"Posture Shift allows you to **keep the next generation engaged with social justice and biblical orthodoxy.**"

"Do it! **Bring everyone, especially your senior leadership team!** Every ministry needs this training."

"Posture Shift is cohesive, thorough, relevant, and important. **It will change the way you relate to the LGBT+ community,** both in and outside of the church body."

"Posture Shift is **biblically solid, notably compassionate and inclusive.**"