

JASON BARGER

AUTHOR, SPEAKER, CONSULTANT

Jason Barger is the author of the book *Step Back from the Baggage Claim: Change the World, Start at the Airport* - featured in the NY Times, ABC News.com, National Geographic Traveler, Kiplinger.com, Book TV, the Seattle Times, the International Herald Tribune, and many other wonderful spots.

Before taking off to sleep in airports and observe human behavior, Barger led over 1,700 people to construct 125 houses internationally for families living in poverty. He also implemented the Streets Mission Project to serve the homeless on the streets of Columbus, Ohio. As the former director of First Community Church's Camp Akita, he designed programming focused on living with joy, love, compassion, faith, and service for over 1,900 campers per summer.

Jason is a graduate of Denison University, where he served as captain of the men's basketball team, and then received certification from Georgetown University in Nonprofit Executive Management. In 2004, he was one of five people in Columbus, Ohio, to receive a Jefferson Award, a national award given to "ordinary people doing extraordinary things."

Today, Jason, his wife Amy, and their two sons, Will and Benton, live in Columbus, Ohio. Jason is an author, consultant, servant-leader, creative Think-Tanker, and respected speaker. When not spending time on those things, he is cheering on The Ohio State Buckeyes and leaving the door open for the next opportunity to serve.

Speaker

Jason is a professional speaker and dynamic storyteller with experience speaking to groups of all sizes. He is passionate about inspiring positive action in the world. His creativity, insights and spirit are a perfect match for almost any audience. Jason has experience speaking in large churches, high schools, universities and businesses.

Consultant

Jason works with individuals as well as nonprofit and for profit companies to inspire excellence in the world. His "Step Back" visioning process focuses on preserving the core of each organization's mission and assists in stimulating progress. Team building, creative Think-Tanking, leadership development, organizational visioning, and inspiring all stakeholders to bring their gifts to life are among his talents. He is available to assist your conference, training, strategic planning session, or leadership retreat with short messages or extended sessions.



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