

**Date:** Thursday April 13, 2017

**Place:** Holiday Inn Vanderbilt

**Note:** Please note the change of meeting fees for 2016

**Cost:** Professional and Student Members - \$25

Guests - \$30

**Discount:** \$5 discount for any registration made before noon on the Tuesday before our Thursday meeting

### Reservations

Contact Mary Simpson for reservations at  
615-367-8083 or [msimpson@genesco.com](mailto:msimpson@genesco.com)

### Meeting Schedule

5:30 - 6:00 Social/Networking  
6:00 - 6:45 Dinner  
6:45 Business Meeting & Speaker

### *Surviving Unexpected Job Changes*

Tom Clark - Supervisor, Online Digital Support, Lifeway Christian Resources

A number of Information Technology people have had unexpected changes in their employment status. Some of the changes are good; for example, a sudden big promotion to a better company. Most unexpected job changes, however, are somewhat of a shock. Your company goes bankrupt, or merges with another company that has their own IT staff. New IT management comes in and does not approve of your projects. There are conflicts where someone up the food chain doesn't approve of your personality. However it happens, you are unexpectedly out of a job.

Our April program is on how to survive unexpected job changes. Our speaker is Tom Clark who has had several recent job changes. He will share with us how he felt about the shock and how he handled it. Tom will also discuss how to anticipate and prepare for employment changes.

Tom has over 20 years IT experience and has been an AITP member for 15 years. He is presently employed at Lifeway Christian Resources as the Supervisor, Online Digital Support. Tom has been at Lifeway since October 2016. He was previously Vice President of Information Technology at MyGenetx from February to June 2016.

Tom was the Information Technology Director for Star Physical Therapy in Franklin TN, for over 12 years. He was responsible for all computer systems and operations for this growing Health Care Organization with over 60 locations and 500 users.

Prior to his stay with Star Physical Therapy, Tom was employed for 7 years as an Information Technology Consulting Manager here in Nashville with three major consulting firms. These organizations were Crosslin Vaden & Associates LLC, Ernst and Young LLP, and Arthur Anderson, LLP. Tom led and directed technology projects for many large and small organizations in the greater Nashville area.

Tom came to Nashville to work for Comdata in Brentwood, TN, as the Director of Technology and Network Training. He was with Comdata for three years.

Prior to Tom's IT career, he was Vice-President, Admissions and Marketing for the Oklahoma Christian University for two years. He was also President of the Great Lakes Christian College for three years.

Tom started his work experience in Toronto, Canada, with EDS (Electronic Data Systems) as a Manager, Recruiting and Staffing. He was with EDS for four years and is fluent in French.



Tom Clark

Tom has an MS Degree in Management and Human Relations from Abilene Christian University and a BA Degree in Mass Communications from Harding University. Tom is a past AITP Nashville Chapter President. Tom and his family live in the Franklin, TN, area.

Tom is a good speaker. Come and listen to how to prepare for, and survive, unexpected job changes.

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AITP April 2017 Meeting Announcement

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**\$5 discount for early registration**