



Dr. Joseph W. Perez (Joe)

- Certified IT Professional
- Motivational/Technical Speaker
- 30+ Years of Experience
- Dynamic, Thought-Provoking

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Senior Systems Analyst & Team Lead NC Department of Health & Human Services

Having received advanced degrees in secondary education, Joe began a ten-year career as a high school teacher providing instruction in economics, Spanish, Bible, and computers. While in his teaching career, he furthered his graduate education, earning a doctorate in education with a double-minor in computers and theology. His career focus changed to IT in 1992 when he started as a Computer Consultant at NC State University. Three promotions later, Dr. Perez ended his successful 25-year career at NC State as Business Intelligence Specialist when he took another promotion to become Senior Business Analyst at the NC Department of Health & Human Services in September 2017 and has since been promoted to Senior Systems Analyst and Team Lead. With more than 7000 followers on LinkedIn and several professional certifications, Perez has stayed active in the IT community as a much sought-after resource, highly-recommended conference speaker, data analytics & visualization expert, and specialist in efficiency and process improvement.

Through the years, Dr. Perez has never lost his love for teaching, having been a guest speaker in numerous schools, churches, and other organizations. When he takes a break from work, he enjoys spending time with his wife of more than 30 years and their children, whom he says are the "best things that ever happened to me." He also sings, plays the piano, composes songs, and has performed PSA's and voice-overs for schools and other organizations. He also serves as music director to his church's Hispanic ministry, teaches their Adult Bible Fellowship class, and interprets sermons to Spanish or English, depending upon the audience. If there's any spare time left, he enjoys publishing a monthly military newsletter, working out in the gym, and tries to catch up on Star Trek reruns. "A busy life indeed, but I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world. I'm a firm believer that if I'm not innovating, then I'm stagnating," says Joe.

Testimonials:

"Got to know Dr. Perez via a project we both worked on for Premier CIO Forum in NC. Joe is a true professional and a great communicator who will have your back covered. He is a great asset to my team."

Neal Petersen, TEDx Speaker, Author

"Joe epitomizes what an IT leader should be. He is not only a catalyst for innovation at work, but he is also an evangelist and collaborator for technology in the community. He is an engaged attendee and presenter at peer events. If I were building an IT team, I'd want Joe on it."

Marc Montoro, Executive Director, Triangle Technology Executives Council

"I have gotten to know Joe Perez very well over the past 6 months. Having Joe as a speaker and attendee at the Raleigh CIO Forum was such an honor. Joe is professional, personable and such a go-getter. He was consistently asking how to promote and help the Forum. His session on Cultivating a Climate for Paradigm Shift was relevant and really caught the audience's attention. Anyone would be lucky to sit in on one of his presentations. With that being said, Joe is a true leader and I cannot recommend him enough. He is simply an expert in his field and a wonderful person."

Nina DiFrancisco, President, Premier Connects

Speaking Engagements Include:

- Premier CIO Forum (Raleigh, NC), December 2018
- CDO Executive Summit (Washington, DC), May 2019
- MDM Data Governance Summit (Chicago, IL), July 2019
- Triangle Tech Exec Council Meeting (RTP, NC), Sept 2019
- Global Innovation Forum (Raleigh, NC), October 2019
- AITP Regional Meeting (Durham, NC), October 2019
- Cloud Data Summit (Online Conference), October 2019
- FAME Tech Conference (Orlando, FL), November 2019
- Data Viz Healthcare (Ft. Lauderdale, FL), January 2020
- Concentric 2020 (Online Conference), February 2020
- Convey UX 2020 (Seattle, WA), March 2020
- SAS Global Forum 2020 (Washington, DC), March 2020
- SHRM Tri-State Conference (Uncasville, CT), April 2020
- Continuing Ed Training Institute (Savannah, GA), June 2020
- New Directions in the Humanities (Venice, Italy), July 2020

What Others Are Saying:

"Dr. Joe Perez is a dynamic and engaging speaker who can provide a unique blend of practical and efficient solutions within the Information Technology spectrum. I have known Joe for 15 years and his natural enthusiasm and magnetism makes him able to engage diverse groupings of people and to communicate problem-solving solutions at both the personal and corporate levels. He is a forward thinker with the ability to gain insight and historical perspective from his many years of working in the IT field. You will greatly benefit from inviting Joe to be a part of your team as it builds for the future."

Colonel (Ret) Steven D. Martin, USAF

"Dr. Perez is the speaker you do not want to miss out on at a conference or event. He is knowledgeable and concise – and he has a great sense of humor that makes listening to him very enjoyable. Having worked with Joe for over 15 years, I know that he is genuinely interested in sharing his knowledge... If you have the chance to attend one of his speaking engagements, you won't walk away empty-handed!"

Dr. Holly Sullenger, Professional Speaker, Corporate/Adult Education Expert