

INSPIRING ACTION. TRANSFORMING LIVES

Our speaker is an original Freedom Writer whose story is told in part in the 2007 hit movie, *Freedom Writers*. By age 16, his story was almost over: his father was incarcerated, he dropped out of school, had lived in 26 places, and his best friend had been brutally murdered.

But he turned the page and began writing new, more fulfilling chapters in his life—chapters filled with healing, hope, perseverance, and possibility. He is now happily married, a father of three, a homeschool teacher, a successful entrepreneur, a Ph.D. student, an author, an aviator, and one of the nation's most sought after speakers.

Drawing from the best insights of cultural and linguistic anthropology, educational psychology, communication, philosophy and from his own lived experiences, Manny has developed a unique approach that equips leaders with the awareness, knowledge, and skills necessary to understand, engage, reach, and teach even the most underperforming youth.

He is the founder and CEO of Ink International Incorporated, an education consulting firm that has empowered over 1.5 million people to improve the quality of not only their own lives, but also the lives of those around them; Ink has helped hundreds of organizations raise student achievement and leader effectiveness in 47 states and four continents; and, Ink has helped prevent thousands of dropouts and suicides.

He is the author of three books: *Your Next Chapter*, a book that shows people, step-by-step, how to create the life of their dreams; *How to R.E.A.C.H. Youth Today*, a book that shares his unique approach to helping others; and, *Turning the Page*, his not-yet-released memoir that he only makes available to people who hear him in person.

Whether delivering keynotes, conducting seminars, inspiring students, or training leaders, he rallies people everywhere to turn the page to begin writing new chapters in their lives. He has come from Atlanta, Georgia, to be with us today.

Please help me give a very warm welcome to Mr. Manny Scott.

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