

BIO & INTRODUCTION FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

An honors graduate in both high school and college, Allyson found herself trekking to student government meetings, the Baptist Student Union, and her 3rd floor dorm with no elevator before graduating with a 4.0 degree in English from East Central University.

(FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS) While it's been a while since she met her now-husband at the BSU and hung snapshots on the cinder-block wall of her dorm, she somehow still relates to the wins and losses, ups and downs of college life. (FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS) While it's been a while since she did the Macarena at prom and shoe polished her best friend's car, she somehow still relates to the wins and losses, ups and downs of high school life.

She loves training on leadership - which, according to her mentor John Maxwell - is influence, nothing more & nothing less. She's been described as the girl-next-door with the drive of a race car, with laugh-out-loud, relatable stories that bring gut-check moments to audiences all over.

She has published 2 books with another one the way and has nearly 200,000 readers in over 85 countries on the YouVersion Bible app. With more than 20 years of corporate and nonprofit leadership experience, she brings values-focused, interactive training & keynotes to businesses, schools, cooperatives, and ministry teams across the country.

But today she's focused on you and the message she feels God has placed upon her heart.

Let's welcome Allyson McElroy (MAC-ul-roy)!

Note: I tell a bit of my story in my presentation, so no need to read a longer intro. However, I've put a few points below in case they pertain or would help connect to your audience. If you'd prefer to read a lengthy, full bio, please reach out.

POINTS OF CONNECTION

- **A little about home:** Allyson and her husband, Michael, live in Oklahoma with their Maltese, Bentley. They enjoy traveling with their college son, Cole, and collecting passport stamps along the way.
- **Her career roots:** Allyson started working just one week out of high school. She worked her way from the front lines to the vice president's chair while earning her degree from East Central University.
- **Her philosophy:** While she speaks to many audiences about many subjects, her message remains the same: There's a lot to be passionate about. But until we're passionate about *com*passion, nothing else matters.