

# Wes Friesen, MBA

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I am the founder and President of Solomon Training & Development. I had a 37 year career at Portland General Electric, where I was a senior level Manager and in my last role I led the Billing, Credit, Customer Payment, and Print & Mail functions. I am an elder and adult class teacher at my church, and sit on several non-profit boards. I aspire to be a servant leader and developer of people. I am excited to help motivate adult learners become even more successful in their career and in life. I try to bring real world experiences and applications into the classes so that they are relevant and not merely theoretical.

## Academic Background

- MBA, University of Portland
- BS, Business Administration, George Fox University
- 15 Professional Certifications: CCE, CBF, CBA, CFM, CMA, CTP, CMDSM, EMCM, MCOM, MDC, CM, PHR, APP, ICP, OSPC

## Expertise and Interests

I have had articles published in business trade journals over 60 times. I write an on-going Management Column for a business trade journal called Mailing Systems Technology.

## Select Research Bibliography

Friesen, W. (2016). Your team can soar! Powerful lessons to help you lead and develop high performing teams. Maitland, FL: Xulon Press.

## Outside the Classroom

I am blessed with a wonderful wife, two daughters, a son-in-law and a granddaughter. I enjoy traveling, reading, walking, and playing tennis. I follow several sports teams and am a life-long Blazer fan. I also

get the opportunity to speak at conferences across the country and enjoy the travel and opportunity to meet people and share useful information.