Introduction For Rene Godefroy

Please make sure Rene is within sight before introducing him.

Our speaker today speaks from his heart and the heart of a faraway village.

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution calls him a "motivational hit". The Miami Times calls him a "motivational guru."

But most people know him as an ordinary man with an extraordinary message that challenges people to be more resilient.

His journey started as a sick and impoverished kid in a remote village in Haiti.

In 1983, he arrived in the US with five dollars, two shirts, one pair of pants and NO ability to speak any English. He taught himself English one word at a time.

While most people around him chose to focus on their limitations and excuses, he chose to focus on the possibilities.

Today, he's one of the most inspiring motivational speakers sharing stages with global leaders.

He is the author of the award-winning book Kick Your Excuses Goodbye.

AT&T, Aflac, Coca-Cola, and Verizon Wireless are a few of the companies that have booked him to share his "No Condition is Permanent" message with their employees.

He has appeared on CBS 60-Minutes, TBN, CNN, ABC, and countless other media outlets.

The City of Smyrna, Georgia, where he now resides, dedicated an entire day as "The Rene Godefroy Day."

Please help me welcome the man who reminds us to... be resilient because no condition is permanent Rene Godefroy!