

About the Owner

Hello, my name is Emma Cox, the Owner of Our Time Enterprises or simply OTE.

I was born in Mound Bayou, Mississippi the oldest of 7 children. I grew up in rural Arkansas in a town of 600 people. My life is a testament to my 14--year--old teen mother; who always encouraged ~~me and~~ my siblings and me to work hard and do ~~to~~ better in life than she did. With only an 8th grade education, my mother got her GED and a truck driving certificate ~~that which~~ hangs on my office wall above my MBA degree. My mother was a brilliant woman and my biggest cheerleader until her death in 2006.

As a child, working in the fields with a blazing sun overhead for 10 hours a day for 70 cents per hour was my first job. Fortunately for me, I was always smart, driven and ambitious. Naturally inquisitive, I always asked a lot of questions about everything. As a child I was called a “know it all”. The first to go to college, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in geography with a concentration in history, I had the flexibility to teach or go into urban and regional planning. Those were my original career plans.

Right after college in the early 80's, I moved to the Midwest ~~in the early 80's~~ without a job. A family friend told me about an accounting clerk position at her company. I applied and got the job. No real business or accounting background, I took accounting courses to fill in my knowledge gaps. I later went on to earn a Master's of Business Administration degree in 2007. My hobby of going to open houses after church on Sunday increased my real estate knowledge ~~grew~~. I became so knowledgeable about real estate that my friends started asking me to accompany them on their home buying searches. Later, I added licensed real estate broker to my resume. Starting out as a clerk, I worked my way up, and I excelled in my financial operations career.

I have always been a continuous learner... sucking in as much knowledge as I could to give back to my corporate team members for peak job performance (get the job done) or my friends and family just to be helpful. This is how I've always lived; if I needed to know something, I always sought out solutions. ~~Once~~ I even took a class on ~~the~~ adult learning to make sure my communication and training style met the needs of my adult team members with various life experiences and backgrounds. ~~Deid~~ you know that everything you have ever learned is stored in your brain? Once you start reviewing your old math problems, the brain will start to recall this information, and the stored knowledge in your memory will return.

At the height of my financial operations career working for a leading Fortune 500 company, I was responsible for the control and disbursement of over \$3 billion dollars in corporate assets annually. As a business project manager for several multi-million dollar software implementation projects, I learned the value of pooling resources across multiple disciplines to achieve project goals. With a reputation of getting the job done right, I was sought after for problem resolution because of my Knowledge Awareness. Working in corporate America afforded me an opportunity to hone my skills, learn, travel and network across the United States and abroad.

In November 2010, my director ~~and of~~ Human Resources called me into a late afternoon meeting. As an outspoken manager; I thought to myself, oh what have I done now? I recall a box of tissues on the desk as my director tearfully told me of the corporate decision to move our financial operations team offshore. The HR person commented on how well I was taking the news since I never shed a tear. Honestly, the emotions I felt ~~was were~~ relief and freedom. No more deadlines, no more sales targets, no more headcount reductions... For several years I had talked about leaving my job and doing something different to the point of ad nauseam. My friends and family were beyond tired of me talking about leaving my job. Freedom and relief held up against the reality of no job; what was I going to do?

Later that night, I told one of my sister²s about my job going offshore, and these are her exact words, “Emma, God laid the plan, and all you need to do is follow it.” For years I suffered from corporate fatigue. I was tired and I really wanted to do something different. What I really wanted to do, ~~and was which~~ I have always been passionate about, was ~~helping~~ helping people, ~~telling~~ telling them what I know to help them. Life event problems causes one to become reflective, and as I looked back and assessed my life at that present moment, I was always happiest when I shared my knowledge. ~~It’s like I feel~~ an adrenaline rush when I’m sharing my knowledge.

Fortunately for me, fate took over and I finally had my chance and opportunity. ~~Again-Forthwith~~, the ~~elique-“click”~~—“when one door closes, another door opens”. OTE was the open door for me. OTE is the fulfillment of “Emma, God laid the plan, and all you need to do is follow it.” The solution to my personal career life event problem of November 2010 ~~life~~ was to start my own company. Like always, I needed to know more, so I took another class on starting a small business to fill in a few knowledge gaps.

With a renewed sense of direction and purpose, on June 6, 2014, I completed the formal online process to officially register Our Time Enterprises with the federal government. My entire life experience, my education, my side jobs, my real estate business, my skill set, my business savvy and my ability to find needed resources, prepared me to start a business to teach and show others the value of Knowledge Awareness in the life event market place ~~for~~ the attainment of personal, professional and business goals.

As a student of history, June 6, 1944 (or commonly D-Day) is the day the United States and its allies stormed the beaches ~~of~~ Normandy, France. Many historians will agree that the D-Day invasion paved the way for the fall of Germany under Adolph Hitler in World War II. On June 6, 2014, OTE officially stormed the world with “Knowledge Awareness”. OTE is an organization dedicated to liberating the masses from a lack of knowledge, just as the U.S. helped to liberate France 70 years earlier. It is ‘Our Time’ to use Knowledge Awareness to find solutions to life event problems.

OTE is my historical marker on the time continuum. OTE is the essence of my entire life experience. OTE is ~~a~~ like a dream comes true. I have no doubt in my mind that Knowledge Awareness solutions can help to solve life event problems that hinder success and the attainment of life’s full potential. I am committed to making that happen. Purpose Driven!

One may never achieve any goals in life, but to live a life without goals is no life at all ...