



David Charleston is founder and director of The Orange Planet Athletic Club and Hope2Offer, a non-profit student and family organization. The Orange Planet offers a wide range of services in fitness and sports and hosts a variety of events at their Pleasant Hill location. Additional services are offered in tutoring, counseling, and obesity reduction and community outreach.

David has a B.S. in education and a Masters in counseling. During David's 8 years of teaching school he gained experience with coaching high school girls and boys basketball. David has started and conducted basketball shooting and fundamental clinics for cities and schools since 1991. After leaving education David gained valuable experiences while working for the Miami Heat, owning and operating a DSM health club, brokering financial solutions and owning and operating a special events cabin resort. David has been involved with athletics as early as he remembers. His competitive drive and commitment to development earned him multiple awards in high school baseball and basketball and college basketball. During his military service he served in troop medical clinic and earned an Iowa Army commendation medal for excelling in the "fit to fight" physical conditioning program.

David speaks to a variety of business and community groups and hosts a radio program. "I realized early on that life isn't about me, there is something bigger going on. I realized God has a centrality. It is not about putting Him at the center, He is already there. It is about putting ourselves onto that reality." David has been married for 24 years and has two children. Rhonda and David enjoy serving in business and ministry together. As it would be, it was on a H.S. basketball court that they both began to fall in love twenty seven years ago.

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