

Bios for Dave Zuchelli

2-line bio:

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Short Bio:

Dave Zuchelli is a graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He has been a Christian pastor for thirty-five years. His first book, *The Last Wedding*, was published in September 2015. His website is PulpitMan.com, and he can be reached by e-mail at dave@pulpitman.com.

Medium Bio:

Dave Zuchelli is a graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He has been a Christian pastor for thirty-five years. He's married to a wonderful young woman named Denise, and between them they have four children and several grandchildren. He loves baseball and can often be found watching, listening to, or reading about his beloved Pittsburgh Pirates. His first book, *The Last Wedding*, was published in September 2015. Further information about him can be found at PulpitMan.com. His blog, *Local Church Prisoners*, is published three times weekly at davezuchelli.com. Dave can be reached by e-mail at dave@pulpitman.com.

Long Bio:

Dave Zuchelli is a man of extremes. He laughs until he cries (or worse). He rides a Harley Davidson (a 2003 Softail Deuce). He loves with a passion, and he preaches like there's no tomorrow. So it's no surprise that he's written a book about some of the most intimate moments of a person's life.

His first book, *The Last Wedding*, is the result of a ceremony that could have been his last...ever. It wasn't, but the denouement of what might have been has survived the moment.

What do you say to those gathered at your last wedding? You'll be surprised and intrigued by what he thought to be ultimately important.

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Dave has always loved baseball. When he's not writing, he can often be found watching, listening to, or reading about his beloved Pittsburgh Pirates (he lives vicariously through them because he's too old to play anymore himself). He does, however, take enough time away from the national pastime to publish a blog three times a week. The blog, entitled ***Local Church Prisoners***, can be found at davezuchelli.com. In it, he explores the Biblical options for carrying today's church back into relevancy. It's a task he doesn't take lightly, and one his readers respond to with zeal.

For the past twenty years, he has been a tent maker in the tradition of the Apostle Paul (although he says the comparison undoubtedly stops there). He recently retired from his day job to spend more time preaching, teaching and writing (and watching baseball of course). Dave's speaking and preaching style is humorous and infectious and has caused many to call upon him for retreats, special meetings, and seminars (not to mention Sunday morning worship services).

On his Linked-In page, Susan Canis (a former parishioner) recorded this observation. "Dave is the best preacher I have ever heard -- he offers very relevant content and is always engaging." Not bad for a country boy from the Western Pennsylvania coal mining region.

Dave has started a ministry and business called Liquid Statue Productions. The aim of this endeavor is to develop discipleship tools for today's Christian Church. It features books, seminars, and retreats. You can explore that a little further at LiquidStatue.com.

If you'd like to know a little more about him personally, please check out his website, *Pulpitman.com*. Dave is available to speak at your event and may be reached through the contact page of any of his sites. If you promise him ice cream, he'll undoubtedly give you a discount on just about anything.

Speaker Introduction:

Our guest has been described as a man of extremes. He laughs until he cries (or worse). He rides a Harley Davidson. He loves with a passion, and he preaches like there's no tomorrow. So it's no surprise that his book, *The Last Wedding*, touches on some of the most intimate moments of a person's life.

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He and Denise currently reside in Ashburn, VA—just outside of Washington DC (but he asks that we don't hold that against him). He has been a local church pastor for over thirty-five years—the last twenty of which has been with a small congregation that worships in Smith Chapel and serves in Great Falls, VA. For those twenty years, he has been a tent maker in the tradition of the Apostle Paul (although he says the comparison undoubtedly stops there).

He recently retired from his tent making, day job to spend more time preaching, teaching and writing. With his newfound extra time, he publishes a blog three times a week. The blog, entitled *Local Church Prisoners*, can be found at davezuchelli.com. In it, he explores the Biblical options for carrying today's church back into relevancy. It's a task he doesn't take lightly, and one his readers respond to with zeal.

His journey of faith has brought him to intersect with ours in this poignant moment of time (at least that's what he believes). Please welcome Dave Zuchelli (pronounced zoo-kelly).

5 Fun Facts You Didn't Know About Me:

1. I umpired Little League and High School baseball for twenty years.
2. I own and ride a 2003 Harley Davidson Softail Deuce.
3. I'm a rabid, life-long fan of my beloved Pittsburgh Pirates.
4. I once tried stand-up comedy (don't ask how it went).
5. I'm an avid crossword puzzle solver, completing at least one a day. Now that I think about it, I may actually be a crossword junkie.