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Kelly D. King is the Manager of Magazines/Devotional Publishing and Women's Ministry Training for Lifeway Christian Resources. She is the author of Ministry to Women: The Essential Guide for Leading Women in the Local Church and is a contributor to several Lifeway Women Bible studies and the Lifeway Women's Bible. She is the co-host of Lifeway Women's MARKED podcast. She has served women in the local church for more than 35 years. She has a Master of Theology degree from Gateway Seminary and is currently pursuing her Doctorate of Ministry degree from Gateway.

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Denise has served as the Director of Women's Life and Assistant Professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, where she taught graduate courses in ministry to women. Prior to serving at Southeastern, Denise was a student there and earned both her MA in Biblical Counseling and Doctor of Education. Denise's dissertation for her doctoral degree was on Critical Success Factors for Creating and Sustaining an Intergenerational Women's Ministry. She has spoken on the topic of intergenerational ministry across the US. Denise also served as Women's Ministry Coordinator at Bay Leaf Baptist Church. Currently, she serves her church, Imago Dei, as Director of Counseling Development. She has two married daughters and eight grandchildren. Denise and her husband Rod live in Raleigh, North Carolina.

### **MARY MAGARET WEST**

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Mary Margaret West has been leading in women's and girls ministry for the last 18 years and is the author of *Show Her the Way: Your Guide to Discipling Teen Girls*. She is a contributor to the Lifeway Women and Lifeway Girls blogs, the Lifeway Women's Bible, and author of the Lifeway Student Devotionals Agape and Cherished. Mary Margaret holds a Master of Arts in Christian Education from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. She has served on staff at churches in Texas, Louisiana, and Florida, and as an Event Coordinator and Girls Ministry Specialist at Lifeway. Her passion is to equip women to dive deeply into God's Word and live out their calling by way of consulting, speaking at events and conferences, and serving as a Lifeway Women Trainer. Mary Margaret loves serving her local church, brunch with friends, and freelance writing. She and her husband Jonathan live in Winter Garden, Florida with their son, Sam.

### **AMANDA MEJIAS**

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Amanda Mejias serves as the Lifeway Girls Brand Specialist, which is just a super fun way of saying that she serves the parents and leaders of teen girls. After serving on church staff for many years, she is passionate about building relationships and creating resources that equip the local church. Amanda is wife to her wonderful husband, Brandon, and lives out her dream of being a working mom. If you ever want to find a way to her heart, ask to meet for coffee or send her a TikTok of a golden retriever.

## **JACKIE AVILES**

Jackie Aviles is a writer, speaker, and licensed coach who communicates hope from a biblical perspective. After receiving a terminal cancer diagnosis, she committed her life to stand beside those grieving through painful circumstances, for the sake of others' encouragement. Her passion is to see others taking God at His Word, experiencing gospel-centered hope, and unleashing it into the spaces around them. She's also a pastor's wife and mom of two currently living in Miami, Florida.