**Jennifer L. Edwards**

Jennifer Edwards is a speaker, author, Bible teacher, non-fiction and fiction editor, and seminary student. She is pursuing a Masters of Biblical & Theological Studies at Western Seminary with an emphasis in Pastoral Care for Women. Her passion for helping women to understand their God-given role in marriage led to the writing and teaching of the *God’s Radical Plan for Wives Companion Workbook.* In addition, Ms. Edwards has taught several workshops and classes on *God’s Radical Plan for Wives* and has been invited to speak to women’s groups on the topics highlighted in the book. She recently launched her career as an editor and freelance writer for Christian fiction and non-fiction, starting her own business, J. Edwards Editing & Writing Services. She is the wife of twenty-one years to Mike Edwards and mother to a teenage son and daughter. They reside in Loomis, California.

***Work and Ministry Experience:***

Jan., 2013 – Present J. Edwards Editing & Writing Services, Loomis, CA

Ms. Edwards started freelance editing and writing for fiction and non-fiction clients, many of which are local companies, non-profits, and authors, including Inspired Solar Technologies, Principles to Live By, and Genesis Recovery Process. She is currently building her editing client base and developing her speaking career to teach and encourage women about marriage issues.

April, 2013 – Present University of Life Teacher, Adventure Christian Church, Roseville, CA

University of Life is a discipleship program for Christian adults offered at Adventure Christian Church. Ms. Edwards is a member of the teaching team, where she teaches the curriculum she wrote for *God’s Radical Plan for Wives*. Women from all over the community attend theses classes and have been helped greatly in their marriages.

2011 – 2013 Women’s Bible Study Director, Adventure Christian Church

Ms. Edwards directed and managed the Women’s Bible Study program at Adventure Church for eight sessions, building a team from scratch. She managed 50+ volunteers, drawing in over 250 women per session—resulting in a +100% growth of the program within the first year. Duties included curriculum oversight, training for Table Leaders, Teachers, and volunteers, management of hospitality/decoration, registration, budgeting, and advertising/promotion functions. During this time, she also served on the Women’s Ministry Leadership Team, and still serves in an advisory capacity.

2011 – 2012 Women at the Well Workshop Coordinator, Guest Teacher/Speaker

To address a growing need for discipleship and teaching in practical life matters, Ms. Edwards co-founded a quarterly workshop ministry for women at Adventure Church. She coordinated the workshop events, vetted out speakers/teachers, and managed the marketing and promotion functions. To kick off the ministry, she taught a workshop based on the principles in *Becoming a Godly Wife,* by Gil and Dana Stieglitz. With over fifty attendees, it was here that she first saw a significant need among women in the area of marriage. From there, she devoted her ministry focus to the education and encouragement of couples in marriage, starting with wives. She was commissioned by Principles to Live By to begin development of the Bible study curriculum and continues to teach and inspire women today.

2010-2011 Co-Founder of Holiday Home Tour, Loomis Basin Education Foundation

Event planning and management of first-ever Holiday Home Tour in the area designed to raise funds for local schools. Managed PR and Marketing campaigns, Volunteer Coordination for docents and team functions. The event continues on to this day raising $25K each year for local schools.

2009-2010 Measure M School Bond Director for Loomis Union School District

In an effort to pass a much-needed school bond to improve aging schools in the district, Ms. Edwards took on the role of Volunteer Coordinator, marketing, and budget functions. Involved working closely with LUSD School Board and Superintendent, Community and School leaders to run a grass roots effort including phone banks, mailings, Neighborhood walks, and PR.

2007 – 2009 Parent-Teacher Club President, Place Elementary, Loomis, CA

Ms. Edwards served as the President of the PTC at her children’s elementary school for two terms. She is credited with numerous campus improvement projects, revamping the budgeting process, developing policies and procedures for future boards, and fundraising more than $250K for the school during her tenure. Ms. Edwards also created a leadership roundtable that included the other PTC Presidents from district schools, along with the Superintendent to foster communication, teamwork, and good will among the schools.

1996 – 1998 Janzen Advertising, Fresno, CA

Account Manager for GTE Mobile Services, and team member for new business development. Duties included writing and development of marketing plans and advertising campaigns for print, radio, and billboards in the San Joaquin and Central Valley regions.

1992 – 1996 Wolf, Blumberg & Krody Advertising Firm, Cincinnati, OH

Junior Account Manager for several clients including Compaq Computers, Procter & Gamble Coin-Op Laundry Brands, and Old Spice Athlete of the Month PR Campaign. Duties included administrative elements and eventually led to the development of marketing plans, writing Press Releases for PR campaigns, and planning award ceremonies all over the country to recognize the Old Spice Athlete of the Month and Year events.

***Educational History***

MABTS, Western Seminary 2010-2015 (projected). Degree Emphasis: Biblical Studies and Theology, Pastoral Care for Women.

BSBA, University of Colorado, Boulder 1988-1992. Degree Emphasis: Marketing and International Business.

***Professional Affiliations***

The Christian Professional Editing Network (PEN)

Christian Editors’ Network