

# new women's ministry strategist named

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Tammy Bennett has been hired as the new SBCV Women's Ministry strategist, effective April 1, 2011. She succeeds the very first SBCV Women's Ministry strategist, Sue Sawyer, who retired at the end of 2010. Tammy says of Sue, "[She] has not only blazed the trail for Women's Ministries within the Commonwealth, but she exemplifies the advancement of women mentoring women for the sole purpose of furthering the Kingdom of God. She has set high standards that I am going to strive to further and promote within the SBCV. Thank you, Sue."

Our new strategist has a wealth of experience in her background—professional acting; production and development research for a national Christian TV show; authoring two books under the Harvest House Publishing Company label; authoring three books under the Baker Publishing Group label; and authoring numerous magazine and blog articles for *HomeLife* magazine, *Crosswalk.com*, *Journey* devotional magazine, and *Insight* magazine. She has been a motivational speaker at women's events and an instructor of Upper Class, a division of CLASServices, where she taught women effective non-verbal communication skills. She has been a senior writer and guest host for the Christian women's TV show, "Living the Life," with CBN. In developing young women, her passion has been reaching girls and teens through AWANA and expanding that ministry to the 20-something generation. She is also involved in the National Religious Broadcasters organization, where she has assisted in coordinating its convention of over 6,000 people. She has been a Women's Ministry coordinator at her church, served as Women's Ministry Committee chair for the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Chaplaincy Ministry, and has developed, written, and taught conversational English for the Chinese. She has also been on numerous mission trips within the US and abroad.

Tammy studied environmental and interior design at the University of California at Santa Barbara. She also has certifications in personality profiling, motivational speaking, media insights, and teen and youth missionary training. Because of her husband's military career, Tammy and her family have lived throughout the country, making three Virginia cities home and three SBCV churches their extended family—London Bridge Baptist Church, Spotswood Baptist Church and now, Grove Avenue Baptist Church. Tammy and her husband Ed have two grown children, Matthew and Ashlee.

"In the days ahead," says Tammy, "I look forward to personally meeting each one of the Women's Ministry leaders, and I'm eager to hear about what God is doing within your ministries." If you have any questions, needs, concerns, suggestions, prayer requests, etc., you may contact Tammy at [tbennett@sbcv.org](mailto:tbennett@sbcv.org).



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