

Jennifer Beckham's Formal Bio

Jennifer Beckham is a wife, mother, evangelist, Bible teacher, motivational speaker, founder of Jennifer Beckham Ministries and the author of the best-selling book and Bible study curriculum, *Get Over Yourself: 7 Principles to Get Over Your Past and On With Your Purpose*.

Prior to her life in ministry, Jennifer had the opportunity of a lifetime to live and work in Orlando for MGM-Studios (now Hollywood Studios) and then in Japan as an entertainer for Tokyo Disneyland playing the coveted "Princess" roles of Cinderella, Snow White, Belle, Sleeping Beauty and Mary Poppins. Her childhood dream had come true! But not long into her entertainers' contract, Jennifer found herself wrapped up in a secret life of sin and self-destruction. Buried by the weight of hefty competition and the constant demand to be "perfect", she developed an eating disorder to stay thin and employable. Disgusted physically and emotionally, Jennifer began looking for love in very wrong places. Her dream had quickly spiraled into her worst nightmare—that was, until one fateful evening in Japan. On January 14, 1994, while attending a Billy Graham Crusade at the Tokyo Dome, Jennifer gave her broken heart and life to Jesus. That unique salvation experience began a life-altering journey that later led her into full-time ministry.

For more than a decade now, Jennifer has traveled extensively throughout North America preaching God's Word, sharing her powerful testimony, and teaching practical, biblical principles to hundreds of thousands in churches and conference centers to both men and women of all ages.

In addition to her thriving ministry, Jennifer serves as a leadership trainer and keynote speaker for several corporate, secular organizations. She also serves as a motivational speaker and character educator for the Department of Education in the public school system. To date, Jennifer has had the wonderful privilege of speaking into the lives of more than 400,000 students in more than 450 public schools, integrating positive values and speaking candidly to teens about real-life issues such as drug abuse, promiscuity, suicide, family hardships, eating disorders, cutting, and low self-worth. Known for her authenticity and approachability, Jennifer's willingness to share from her own personal struggles creates an atmosphere for self-examination, learning, laughing, crying, reflection, and ultimately, healing.

Jennifer has appeared as a featured guest on several radio and television broadcasts including *The 700 Club* with Pat Robertson, *Life Today* with James and Betty Robison, Daystar's *Celebration* with Marcus and Joni Lamb, and *100 Huntley Street* in Canada. A Florida native, Jennifer resides in Jacksonville, Florida with her husband and fellow minister, Anthony and their two beautiful children, Cole and Jordan Paige.