



# Jemelene Wilson

Writer \* Speaker \* Listener

Helping Faith Leaders Minister to the Unique Needs in Their Communities

## Meet Jemelene

*When Jemelene picked her daughter up from an out-of-state agency, she realized she had not been made aware of the extent of her daughter's condition. However, it didn't matter because she knew had she been able to give birth to another child, there were no guarantees. As her husband, Russ, reassured her, and her seven-year-old, Rachel, doted on her new sister, the Wilson family packed up and headed home.*

*Over two decades later, Jemelene has been a patient advocate at a local hospital, trained for disaster relief, and worked in various local school district capacities. All the while, she has sat with grieving families, prayed over worried parents, and fed numerous church members with casseroles and pot roasts.*

*Jemelene reaches beyond the practical into the depths of the heart to those overwhelmed by trauma and loss.*

*Not only has she experienced the loss of siblings and both parents, but she has also survived a carjacking/kidnapping with her youngest daughter.*

*Three months before the global COVID-19 lockdown, Jemelene began treatment for cancer.*

*In short, she is familiar with the needs of the hurting and how the church can help.*

## Signature Message

**"What you can do when you don't know what to say."**

Jemelene uses her experience on both sides of ministry to help others meet the needs of those around them. She shares stories from her grief and trauma and the hope and wisdom received from others. She discusses questions we can ask when others are hurting such as:

- How do you keep from making someone else's loss about you?
- How do we find a balance between overwhelming the family with our care and leaving them to feel alone in their grief?

Jemelene includes workshops filled with practical ideas for hospital visits, meals for the sick, and other needs many never think of when a crisis hits home.

As pastors and leaders, we need to know what it looks like to be in it for the long haul. How can we bring comfort long after the crowd has gone back to their daily lives? How can we serve the grieving long after the casserole dishes go back to their respective homes?

## Testimonial

As a conference director for many years for both large men's, women's and leadership events I often sought out speakers that inspire, challenge and love well. You will find all of this in Jemelene Wilson. Jemelene is an avid writer and blogger, often impacting our community with her insight and encouragement. She is a confident and seasoned public speaker. Jemelene will capture and keep her audience and, with a mother's heart, she will pack your guests a reflective lunch to nourish their heart and soul for the ride home. She is a lover of Jesus and His word, directing people to their identity in Christ and inspiring others to go deeper, to think deeper and most of all to lock arms with others to build faith and share life. Many call her "Jem" for short. That is what she is...a gem. I am pleased to recommend her for your next speaking engagement. She will honor you, His presence and the word He has placed in her heart to share.

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