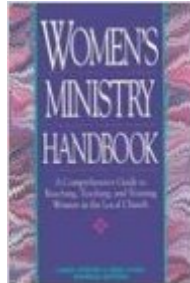


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# Women's Ministry Handbook



## Synopsis

(front) **Women's Ministry Handbook A Comprehensive Guide to Reaching, Teaching, and Training Women in the Local Church** Carol Porter and Mike Hamel General Editors (back) **Doing the Work of God Through the Ministry of Women** Scripture instructs women to minister to each other as well as the rest of the body of Christ. **Women's Ministry Handbook** is a practical, up-to-date resource designed to help the Christian woman of the '90s fulfill this biblical command. Women today are better educated. More work outside the home than ever before. And the numbers of single women, single moms, and seniors continue to grow. The writers of **Women's Ministry Handbook** realize these changing trends and challenge churches to accommodate both scheduling and programming to better meet women's needs. **Women's Ministry Handbook** begins with the "whys" of women's ministry, then thoroughly discusses spiritual as well as personal qualities of leadership, including spiritual gifts and temperament tests. In this section, you'll also learn about: Conducting meetings Selecting priorities Dealing with difficult people Managing time Setting goals Staffing your ministries In the book's later sections you'll receive valuable information on such vital functions as: Organizing Bible studies Handling prayer chains and a wide Discipling others range of caregiving activities Planning retreats Coordinating special events Ministering to women in pain Reaching out to the community Sharing the Gospel compellingly A detailed table of contents at the front has been included to eliminate the "needle in the haystack" frustration inherent in so many books of this type. If you are looking for a complete guide to organizing and implementing a women's ministry in your church, **Women's Ministry Handbook** is the one. (inside) **WOMEN'S MINISTRY HANDBOOK** Women of all ages are looking for role models to help them better handle life's experiences. The young businesswoman needs input from the career woman on how to be a Christian in the marketplace. The mother who elects to stay at home with her children needs the reinforcement of like minded women. Empty nest women and seniors also need encouragement. Women are specifically designed by God to meet the needs of women, and helping them achieve that objective is one of the chief aims of **Women's Ministry Handbook**. Here is a resource full of both organizational and actual ministry tips, adaptable to churches of all sizes and denominations. Written for real women in the real world, it covers the waterfront of issues, from spiritual to relational. We all need personal acceptance; growth is hard without it. Women's ministries can create a climate where acceptance does not have to be achieved, but is automatically granted. This book can help you make it happen. **ABOUT THE EDITORS** CAROL PORTER serves as director of women's ministry at Valley Bible Church in San Ramon, California, and lives in nearby Pleasanton. She is also involved in a team ministry of counseling, teaching, and conference speaking with her

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This is an outstanding resource for any woman who is in leadership and who desires to see true Spiritual growth in the female community of believers of the church. Firstly, it addresses issues that pertain to the leader and her 'spiritual condition'. We all have so much to learn in our position of ministry and Porter addresses such issues as "Her heart", "Her Temperament", and "Her Life Experiences"; all of which affect her leadership. Secondly, Porter paints a very realistic picture of the church cultures that exist today and how this will directly affect "Women's Ministries". This is very insightful and helps the reader form a realistic vision for the ministry within her own church. Thirdly, this resource addresses and emphasizes the importance of the Word. Women need to be in the Word; the Word is the "power unto salvation/freedom". I concur with Porter that an effective Women's Ministry will be built on many elements... prayer, goals, flexibility, outreach, missions, encouragement, and most importantly, Bible study. This is a MUST resource (including survey suggestions and additional resources) which will trigger the female leader/visionary of your church and, ultimately, through the Lord's design, encourage program development that will draw women to

Himself. That's where the "rubber hits the road". Thank you Porter and Hamell!

The add was absolutely correct. I got what I wanted. This is a good book even if it is a little older.

If you want to touch on every aspect of "Women Ministries" this is the book to have. Every work that a woman is involved with in a church, is addressed. Why you have it, who is equipped to do it, leadership, structure, outreach to evangelism. This is a very useful guideline for women's involvement in the church. I have referred to this handbook for more than 15 years, and given as a gift to quite a few women that has voiced the same sentiment.

Highly recommend A+++

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