

Diana Davis' Press Kit

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BIO

Mom...author...wife...speaker...

Diana Davis uses God's Word and personal stories to encourage women to "keep on shining!" A native of Fort Worth TX, Diana is an accomplished writer and popular speaker for women's events. She especially enjoys encouraging pastor wives and deacon wives. She shares gleanings from her life experience as a mother, pastor's wife and women's ministry leader.

A graduate of Dallas Baptist University, Diana was awarded DBU's prestigious Ruth Award for outstanding Christian service. She is working toward a master's degree in theological studies from Liberty University.

In her new book, *Fresh Ideas* (B&H Publishing 2007), Diana shares 1000 Ways to Grow a Thriving & Energetic Church.

Her syndicated *Fresh Ideas* column appears in many Baptist state papers, including *The Indiana Baptist*. She co-authors the "He Said/She Said" column for *Deacon Magazine* and contributes regularly to other Christian publications, such as "Let's Worship" magazine.

She is currently writing a book for deacon wives and another for women's ministry leaders for 2008 publication.

Diana and her husband, Steve, have celebrated 35 years of marriage, and they live in downtown Indianapolis. They enjoy Colorado vacations, hiking, eating Mexican food, and walking their Sheltie, Prancer. Steve is the Executive Director for the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana.

Pastor Wives, special notes:

Diana Davis has been there, done that, and she loves to encourage ministry wives! Her practical wisdom comes from years of experience, and her creative ideas will reignite ministry wives. Diana has been married to her pastor/husband for over 35 years, serving in a church plant, a medium sized and large church. She reared three pastor's kids and lived to tell the story.

During 2006-07 she was the featured speaker for pastor's wives conferences in Indiana, Michigan, Maryland, Delaware, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and South Carolina. She also led a conference for Kiev Theological Seminary, Ukraine seminary wives. She will serve as Vice President of 2008 Southern Baptist Convention Ministers Wives Luncheon.

Through storytelling and personal examples, Diana challenges ministry wives to "keep on shining!"

Deacon Wives, special notes:

- Diana and her husband, Steve, served as pastor and pastor's wife in churches with two deacons up to one hundred deacons.
- As a minister's wife for 35 years, Diana has served alongside deacons' wives, including Burton Hill Baptist, Fort Worth, University Baptist (church plant), San Antonio, Castle Hills Baptist, San Antonio, First Baptist, Humble TX, and First Baptist, Garland TX
- Author of "He Said, She Said" dual column in LifeWay's *Deacon Magazine*

- Led '06 Deacon Wives Conference track at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center. Scheduled to lead at Glorieta in '07.
- Led South Carolina statewide Deacon/Staff Wives Retreat, 2006 and 2007
- Led deacon wives' conferences and retreats for many churches and associations.
- Diana's dad was a Baptist deacon, so her observations began early!

Women's Ministry Special Notes

Diana led her church's women's ministry program for fifteen years, growing from less than ten to over two hundred members of a weekly women's ministry program. Her organizational skills shine through as she coaches women's ministry leaders to plan a program that's "Worth Her Morning".

Missions Special Notes

Diana's heart for missions shines as she works alongside her husband, Executive Director for State Convention of Baptists in Indiana, a "new work" state.

They have taken groups on mission trips to Spain, Germany, Mexico, Canada, and Ukraine, as well as many U.S. states.

She led regional conference for the central regional Mexico IMB missionaries and Ukrainian church planters and wives.

Their daughter, Autumn is currently serving as a missionary in Sheffield, England.

The churches where they served started eight church plants, took dozens of mission trips, and planned multiple missions partnerships.