

Our Keynote Speaker: Sharla Fritz

Sharla Fritz has been described as an amazing eye-opening speaker and author. Her books [Enough for Now](#), [Waiting](#), [Soul Spa](#), [Divine Design](#), and [Bless These Lips](#) have given thousands of women the tools to dig into Scripture and experience a transformation of their attitudes and heart. With light-hearted stories and thought-provoking applications, she makes Bible study fun and uplifting.



Sharla's articles have appeared at [incourage.com](#), The Mudroom, The Redbud Post, Today's Christian Woman, Just Between Us, and Lutheran Woman's Quarterly.

Stitching her messages with humor and honesty, Sharla speaks to hundreds of women each year at retreats, luncheons, and mom's groups. Sharla makes her home in the Chicago area where she is also a pastor's wife, mother, grandmother, musician, and confirmed chocoholic. And if she isn't sitting at her piano or computer, you might find her stalking fabulous fashion finds at the local resale shop.

Ladies-in-Waiting

Do you hate waiting? In our modern culture of instant everything—same day shipping, streaming movies, online banking, microwaveable meals—we are accustomed to getting everything we want now. So when our lives are put in a holding pattern, we complain and grumble and do anything we can to get things moving again.

But what if the waiting rooms of life are actually God's best classrooms? What if the Holy Spirit changes us in the in-between seasons of our lives?

To make sense of all this waiting, we can study the lives of God-followers who waited. This "Ladies-in-Waiting" presentation examines the lives of biblical women who experienced uncomfortable and prolonged seasons of delay. Through their stories we can discover how God wants us to handle our own waiting periods.

