

Professional Bio

Gail Showalter

Gail took her first speaking class at the age of five. Born and raised in southeast Texas she continued developing her skills as a speaker and eventually received a scholarship to a college with a strong drama department. She transferred to Lamar University in 1967 and received a degree in speech in 1970. Later divorced and with three children in tow she went back to college. She earned a masters degree from The University of Texas and worked as an educator for nineteen years. Gail is a published author and has presented workshops throughout the United States. Her presentations are intriguing and practical and her personality is genuine. She is actively involved in Toastmasters and speaks to a variety of groups. She can speak just as comfortably to large audiences as to a few. Her home is in Texas with her husband, Sam. They each have three grown children with numerous grandchildren and others on the way.



Gail Showalter is a heartwarming, moving, and genuine speaker and storyteller. As founder of SMORE for Women, her mission is to encourage single mothers. SMORE for Women is a *Spiritual Ministry Offering Retreats and Encouragement*. She, along with a board of advisors, assist churches in providing Saturday retreats for deserving single moms.

Gail was a single mother of three for sixteen years before she married Sam in 1996. During her years as a single mom she was single-head-of-household. Her article on returning to college as a single parent was published in *Single-Parent Family* magazine October 2000. She says, “Through life’s lessons, training and speaking experiences around the country, I have learned that God gives His grace and the guidance needed to meet the needs of those hurting in our community and churches.”

For additional information about Gail, her work, and her published stories go to www.seeinguthrough.com