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LEARN HOW TO GROW A CHRIST-CENTERED WOMEN'S MINISTRY IN YOUR PARISH

NOTRE DAME, Ind.—Are you interested in connecting with other women who share your faith, interests, and everyday concerns?

A vibrant, self-sustaining women's ministry will help, says Elizabeth A. Tomlin, who has developed successful Catholic women's groups internationally for almost a decade. In *Joyful Momentum*, Tomlin shows you how you also can start, expand, strengthen, or retool an existing women's ministry in your own parish.

Tomlin is a founding member of the Military Council of Catholic Women Worldwide, the women's ministry organization of the Archdiocese for the Military Services USA. She shares her personal stories, spiritual insights, and practical tips to show how almost any group can create a spirited, sustainable outreach. With warmth, honesty, and self-deprecating humor, she makes a compelling case for the importance of women's ministry in the life of a parish, and gives you the confidence you need to build your own group by coaching you through all the details.

Used for personal formation or as a group study, this book conveys the important elements of women's ministry—from a small book club to a larger undertaking that might include social media-based prayer supports, on-call childcare helpers, or multi-committee annual festivals or parishwide events.

This book will teach you:

- why spiritual friendships and pastoral connections are essential to the success of any women's ministry;
- how to build a team dedicated to prayer, simple hospitality, faith-filled catechesis, humble service, and personal outreach; and
- tips for handling trickier aspects of team leadership, such as conflict resolution and long-term transitional planning.

Each chapter offers practical advice and inspirational stories to help you discover how to cultivate a Christ-centered ministry and friendships that can be sustained for the long-term.

"I highly recommend this thorough and well-written guide!"

Michele Faehnle

Codirector of the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference and
Coauthor of
The Friendship Project



Joyful Momentum

Growing and Sustaining Vibrant Women's Groups

By Elizabeth A. Tomlin

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