

## **Short Bio**

Originally a high school teacher in her native Australia, Janine McNally is the founder and director of the nonprofit "Equipping Fireflies, Inc.," a professor of Christian Education at Grace School of Theology, and the author of "When You See Fireflies. Equipping Parents and Leaders to Minister Effectively to Generation Alpha." She has been involved for over 40 years in youth, women, church planting, pastoral, and, most recently, children's ministry. She passionately believes in empowering leaders and parents to reach Generation Alpha for Christ.

## **Medium Bio**

Originally a high school teacher in her native Australia, Janine graduated with a Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary and her doctorate from Grace School of Theology. She is the founder and director of Equipping Fireflies, Inc., a nonprofit dedicated to producing gospel-centered resources for children's ministry leaders and parents. In her spare time, she is a curriculum writer, a research fellow, and an adjunct professor of Christian Education. She recently published her first book, "When You See Fireflies. Equipping Parents and Leaders to Minister Effectively to Generation Alpha." She is also the author of the STEPS series for Kids and Preteens.

She has been involved with her husband for over 40 years in youth, women, and children's ministry and pastoral and church planting ministry. She passionately believes that now is the time to reach kids for Jesus and that children's ministry is the most strategic in the church. Janine and Gary have been married for thirty years and live in Jensen Beach, Florida. They are the parents of three grown children: Hannah (married to Kevin), Jonathan, and Jami, and proud grandparents of twin boys Hunter and Grayson.

## **Long Bio**

Originally a high school Math teacher in her native Australia, Janine McNally moved to the United States to attend Dallas Theological Seminary. She graduated with top honors with her Master of Theology degree and her "M.R.S. degree" when she met and married her sweetheart. They moved around the country from New Jersey to Oregon and back, working in church

planting and pastoral ministry for many years. Most recently, Janine served as Director of the Children's Ministry at a church in Colorado.

In 2021, Janine began Equipping Fireflies, a non-profit company that works to produce quality resources for Children's Ministry leaders and parents. She is also an Adjunct Professor of Ministry and a Research Fellow at the Grace School of Theology.

Janine has been involved in teaching academically for many years while she was in seminary, leading and teaching youth and women's ministry, teaching elementary through high school in homeschool communities, as well as being a conference speaker, writing curriculum, a blog, and publishing articles.

She is the author of "When You See Fireflies. Equipping Parents and Leaders to Minister Effectively to Generation Alpha." Over the past year, Janine has presented the message of this book at a growing number of podcasts, Christian conferences, and seminaries. She passionately believes in reaching kids for Jesus and enlightening leaders and parents about Generation Alpha.

Gary and Janine have been married for thirty years and are the parents of three grown children: Hannah (married to Kevin Fordred), Jonathan (age 26), and Jami (age 17). They live in Jensen Beach, Florida, where Janine writes and directs the operations of Equipping Fireflies, Inc.