

Jackie (Willard) Shives

Jackie was born and raised in South Dakota, graduated from Chamberlain High School, and is enrolled in the Rosebud Sioux Tribe. In high school, she ran cross country, played basketball, and ran hurdles in Track & Field. Jackie went to college at South Dakota State University where she earned her BS in Psychology

(2012). During her college years, Jackie became a follower of Christ, and God's calling on her life became clear—to journey alongside women.

Jackie married her husband Caleb in the summer of 2012, and they both moved to Denver, CO. While in Colorado, she received her master's degree in Christian Formation & Soul Care from Denver Seminary (2015).

During their five years in Denver, she led women's retreats, taught biblical classes and workshops, helped start and contribute to a Christian discipleship website, offered spiritual direction, taught freshmen girls and was the Hurdles Coach at Valor Christian High School. Jackie loves spending time with her best friend and husband Caleb. They enjoy hiking, snowshoeing, watching good films, quality time with friends, playing board games, and eating ice cream together. After moving back to South Dakota in 2017, spending time with their families is on the list of favorites too! Reading, warm drinks, and running are some other fun things of hers.

With Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Jackie pioneered a focused effort toward reaching women in athletics in their faith life from 2017-2019. Now she stays at home with her daughter and finds unique ways to help women grow in their faith in the community. She loves being a woman who can pour into other women and finds such joy in being a mother.