



*Thank you for your interest in working with me.
I look forward to partner with you!*

Frequently Asked Questions about inviting me to speak:

Can we bring you out to speak at our university, church, conference, workshops or other event?

Yes, I love traveling to speak and meet new friends!

I have a strong commitment to serve others. Please do not hesitate to reach out to start a conversation about the logistics of your event.

I would like to focus on these topics:

- Women and Faith
- Raising children with a genuine faith
- Women in Ministry
- Women in God's kingdom
- Special needs children
- Serving God in dangerous terrains
- Faithful faith in the face of tragedy
- Love and Compassion across borders
- True human stories of women, children and faith
- Borders and migration through the lens of faith
- The resilient faith of the asylum-seeker church
- The realities of the Southern Border
- Theology of Migration
- Ruth, the migrant foreigner included in Jesus genealogy

If there is a specific theme not listed here, we can get together and see how I can serve you.

How early should we contact you?

As early as possible.

My availability can be limited due to my ministry responsibilities at the Southern Border. Please reach out and we can make it happen!

What is your speaker fee?

I do not have a set fee because each event is different and unique.

Please communicate clearly the amount of the honorarium you are able to donate. It is important to notice that I will need my travel expenses covered as well. This helps my team and I in the discernment process.

Here are some factors to consider when determining an honorarium:

- **Logistics and Administration Time** – Communication, booking travel, pre-event Zoom calls, sending a W-9 form, promotional materials, etc.

• **Travel Time** – For example, a trip from the Texas Border to the West coast can easily take ten hours each way, covering two full days.

• **Preparation Time** – Even the themes I am familiar with require time to prayerfully adapt for your audience. Prayer is a big part of our planning. New material may take extra time to prepare.

• **Set Up** – Factor in the early arrival for set up, mic check, meeting staff and any other required preparation.

• **Event Commitments**

How many talks will I be giving?

Will I be expected to participate in panels, Q&A's, meals or multiple services?

Will a presentation be required to send to the organizers beforehand for the event?

Relational Engagement

I am deeply relational. It is important for me to develop a genuine and personal connection with attendees and organizers. This adds important value but also requires time and energy.

• **Taxes** – As a self-employed speaker, I will pay about 35% of any honorarium in taxes.

During the school year, I typically travel only once a month.

If at all possible, I will appreciate to try to set up events together—for example, speaking at a conference and sharing at a local church—to optimize each trip.

What should we expect if we are covering your travel expenses?

I will email necessary receipts

For bookkeeping, a separate check for reimbursement would be greatly appreciated.

Typical reimbursable expenses include:

- Round-trip economy airfare (flights with seat selection and option to changes)
- Lyft to/from my local airport each way
- Rental car or Lyft in your city
- Hotel accommodation in a non-smoking room
- Travel meals

For all speaking engagements:

• I live in McAllen, therefore most of my travels will originate there.

I would need hotel accommodations, transportation and meals