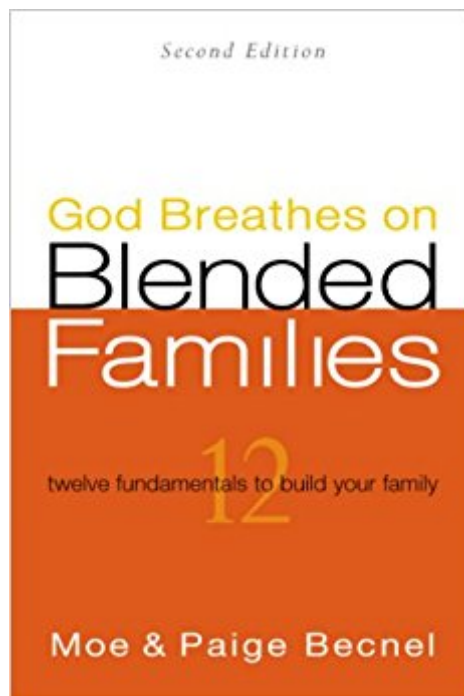




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God Breathes On Blended Families (Second Edition)



Synopsis

When Moe and Paige Becnel married in 1989, blending a family of five children, their hopes of a happy marriage and family quickly deteriorated into frequent and seemingly unending disagreements due to not knowing how to resolve the issues. The many issues that are exclusive to blended families began to take a toll on the relationships, joy, peace, and stability they longed for within their home. Moe and Paige found themselves suffocating in issues of children vs. stepchildren, the impact of divorce on children, new rules and whose rules, competition for time, differing opinions, former spouses, and many others. The Becnells began to seek solutions to the blending issues in the Holy Bible, and found the root of the issues and the solutions there. As they began to follow God's leading, the Spirit of God began an amazing transformation. Now in its second edition, *God Breathes on Blended Families* is not only a captivating narrative of the Becnel family's journey to wholeness, it is a key resource guide for all blended families. Today, the Becnel family is more unified than many biological families. Moe and Paige recognize that their united family is the result of God's restoration and supernatural provision, and they offer these words of encouragement and guidance to their readers: God promises His blessings to those who serve Him and seek His face . . . what He has done for the Becnel family He will do for yours.

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Customer Reviews

God Breathes on Blended Families (second edition) brings hope and practical advice that every parent in a Blended Family should read. The struggles of Blended Families are met with real solutions from the Becnells, who know their Bible and understand the challenges these families face. I am amazed at the practical Biblical approach. This book is a must read for every blended family.

----Dr. Scott Turansky - National Center for Biblical Parenting
God Breathes on Blended Families (second edition) is fueled by the experience and passion Moe and Paige have for Blended Families. You will find practical insights and tools that will assist those that find themselves in a Blended Family and for those that are called to serve in marriage and family ministry. God Breathes on Blended Families addresses a pressing cultural need. We recommend that everyone in ministry read this book and expand their vision for non-traditional couples and families. ----Eric and Jennifer Garcia - Co-Founders, Association of Marriage and Family Ministries, Inc (AMFM)
Paige and Moe speak from personal experience but unlike many other authors, they continually take the reader to the Word of God. They encourage everyone to get clarification from God's Word before trying to address whatever problem is at hand at the moment. And like their experience validates, problems with bringing two families together is an everyday event. This book is an encouragement to those wanting to succeed at combining families and lifestyles under one roof. --Linda Ranson Jacobs - Executive Director, DivorceCare for Kids (DC4K)

God Breathes on Blended Families is a tremendous testimony of the restoration life that God wants all blended families to live. As God has done so many times in the Bible, He has turned the Bechnels life around and made their family something beautiful. And what He has done for them, He will do for all who follow Jesus Christ. Dino Rizzo Chief Executive Healing Place Productions Baton Rouge, LA --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I am only finishing chapter 2, I have 6 kids, 4 mine 2 his, and this book has brought me to tears. The hope and clarity! Can't wait to keep reading! I will definitely be recommending this book to every blended family i know!

My husband and I blended our family 9 years ago. Before we got married we both read this book. It helped so much to see things we might not have seen initially or expected. In a lot of ways it made us feel "normal." We recently had friends getting married and blending their family and we ordered it for them. We pray it was as much a blessing to them as it was to us. A great gift to any couple getting married and blending a family.

Very helpful and moving. No matter what age your children are this book is beneficial.

This book was such a blessing to me. It addressed many of the ways I have been feeling in my

blended family towards my husband and his children. It let me know that my feelings were natural but gave me hope that things can and will change for the better. The Becnel's were very open & honest in the way they felt and handled their problems. Paige stated in Chapter 6, "Loving and parenting a child who was not born to you is not a natural thing." This really helped me and my husband in understanding that there's a process for us to bond to one another's children, love didn't come at first sight, so to speak. She also suggested that you mentally & emotionally adopt your new children making them a vital part of your world. My husband even read this book and told me how much he enjoyed it. There was a previous review by a lady who didn't like this book or didn't enjoy all the scripture references but as Christians the Word should be our manual by which we live. I was blessed by the scripture references and by the prayers!!! If you are on the verge of leaving your home because of difficulties with your husband/wife or stepchildren please get this book first and apply the principles given!!!!

On my goodness, this is a must read if you are part of a step-family/blended family. We bought a few books on the subject when we got married and this one has the most relevant information for our situation - we both have kids from previous marriages.

This is an awesome source of very true and real issues in a blended family. Prior to entering into a second marriage, this book is a must read! It offers solutions to problems and situations that are inevitable and having that knowledge ahead of time will save a lot of heartache and tears-

This is a must read for any relationship that is moving towards marriage when both sides have children from previous marriages. It is a very valuable book. I can't say enough good about it. It is very realistic, it doesn't give false hopes or sugar coat anything. It is straight forward!!

The Becnel's book was a little disappointing. I was expecting a more professional / Christian perspective on how to blend families but instead most of it was personal experiences of the Becnel's. My blended family differs from theirs so much of it was not useful. There was some duplication throughout the book and most of the thoughts were common sense or biblical, which I am already familiar with. There were excerpts that I deeply agreed with such as you must put your spouse first but in more than one place it said in order to truly love your spouse you must love your spouse's children. Well, that is the whole reason I am seeking literature on blended families - I struggle to love my "bonus" children while I am crazy about their father. And likewise, I do not

expect my spouse to love my grown sons in order to love me. Again, the book is more an autobiography of the Becnel's.

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