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Carolyn Arends has released nine award-winning albums and is the author of two critically acclaimed books. She is in demand as a concert performer, public speaker, retreat facilitator, college instructor and columnist. Carolyn lives in Surrey, British Columbia. *Wrestling With Angels* (Harvest House/*Conversantlife.com*)
We've Been Waiting For You (Thomas Nelson)

Recordings: *Pollyanna's Attic*, *Christmas: An Irrational Season*, *Under the Gaze*, *We've Been Waiting For You* (all 2B Records); *Travelers* (Signpost Music); *Seize the Day and Other Stories*, *This Much I Understand*, *Feel Free and I Can Hear You* (all Reunion Records)



Brian Austin

Brian Austin has more than 80 published articles and poems, as well as a collection of poetry titled *Laughter and Tears* in both book and audio CD format. Employed in a Bible bookstore, Brian also serves as a church librarian and on the board of directors of the Canadian Mental Health Association, Grey-Bruce Branch. He and his wife live near

Durham, Ontario. They have three grown children and four grandchildren. His idea of a perfectly furnished room is floor-to-ceiling bookshelves, a comfortable chair and an excellent reading light.

Laughter & Tears Audio CD (LittleBoxStudios/Word Alive)
Laughter & Tears Trade Paperback Book (Word Alive)
I Barabbas Audio CD (LittleBoxStudios/Word Alive)

Paul M. Beckingham

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Paul M. Beckingham has been able to travel to surprising places beyond his Vancouver, British Columbia home! Those diverse destinations deliver energy to his writing. Today, Paul's life unfolds in Canada; it once unravelled in Kenya. Africa beckoned him, but left him dying on the Limuru Road. A long recovery changed him forever.



Now Paul enjoys gentle walks, playing jazz trumpet and fireside moments to reclaim his broken dreams. Both his award-winning articles and his book have garnered national recognition. His exceptional writing carries readers on a personal soul safari, and they will reach with him towards new hope!

Walking Towards Hope: Experiencing Grace in a Time of Brokenness (Castle Quay)



Paul H. Boge

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Paul H. Boge is passionate about evangelism and encouraging believers in their faith in Jesus Christ. Paul is an award-winning novelist, the writer/director of the feature film *Among Thieves* (FireGate Films), and a practicing professional engineer. Paul is a public speaker in a variety of settings including church groups, and is actively involved with Mully Children's Family, a street children's rescue ministry in Kenya. He lives wherever his engineering projects and research for future novels and films take him. He calls Winnipeg, Manitoba home.

The Cities of Fortune (Castle Quay)

Father to the Fatherless: The Charles Mulli Story (BayRidge)

The Chicago Healer (Castle Quay)

Mark Buchanan

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Mark Buchanan is an award-winning author and pastor. He lives on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, with his wife and three children. Mark felt a call to write at age 12, and completed a degree in creative writing at the University of British Columbia. He currently is working on a novel.

Hidden in Plain Sight: The Secret of More

(Thomas Nelson)

The Rest of God: Restoring Your Soul by Restoring Sabbath (Thomas Nelson)

The Holy Wild: Trusting in the Character of God (Multnomah)

Things Unseen: Living in Light of Forever (Multnomah)

Your God is Too Safe: Rediscovering the Wonder of a God You Can't Control (Multnomah)





Brad Burke, MD
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Brad Burke, MD, is a medical specialist, speaker and author who took a five-year sabbatical from practicing medicine to research and write the compelling book series, *An MD Examines*. This four-book series is packed with creative illustrations and stories to share God's character through the eyes of a medical doctor. Brad has been a guest on several radio and TV shows including *100 Huntley Street* and Janet Parshall's syndicated show, *America*. Brad currently works and lives in the Windsor, Ontario/Detroit, Michigan area with his wife Erin.

- An MD Examines: Is God Obsolete?* (Cook)
- An MD Examines: Why Doesn't God Stop Evil?* (Cook)
- An MD Examines: Does God Still Do Miracles?* (Cook)
- An MD Examines: Why Does God Allow Suffering?* (Cook)



Donna Carter
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Donna Carter has a unique ability to synthesize life experience into digestible lessons. She is sought after as a speaker in Canada and the United States because of her clarity, humour and the "light bulb moments" she triggers for women. Donna lives in Calgary, Alberta with her husband, Randy and two daughters. The Carters founded *Straight Talk Ministries* in 1994, to pursue their passion of helping people find faith and apply it to everyday life. To learn more about Donna's life management course for spiritual seekers, visit 10smarthings.com. To book Donna for speaking engagements, visit her Website.

- 10 Smart Things Women Can Do to Build a Better Life* (Harvest House)
- 10 Smart Things Women Can Do to Build a Better Life: A Life Management Course for Women with No Previous Church Experience* (Straight Talk Books)



Keith Clemons
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Keith Clemons is the author of four novels. His first three titles, *If I Should Die*, *Above the Stars*, and *These Little Ones*, have accumulated a total of five awards, including The Word Guild's Canadian Christian Writing Awards Best Contemporary Novel in 2004, 2005 and 2007, respectively. Keith's suspenseful novels deal with current social issues that affect the church and society, such as child trafficking, euthanasia, the Hollywood film industry, our loss of religious freedom, and terrorism. He is a popular speaker and frequently appears on radio and television. He resides with his wife in Caledon, Ontario.

- Mohammed's Moon* (George Colton Publishing) Coming 2009
- Angel in the Alley* (George Colton Publishing)
- These Little Ones* (George Colton Publishing)
- Above the Stars* (George Colton Publishing)
- If I Should Die* (George Colton Publishing)

Donna Dawson (Donna Fawcett)
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Donna Fawcett was brought up in a Christian home by godly parents. At age 27, she surrendered her life to Christ after realizing that religion and relationship with Christ were not the same. Donna and her husband live in rural southwestern Ontario, where she is actively involved in music ministry in her church. Using her military upbringing, her experience in home teaching and her love of horses, Donna writes faith suspense novels under the pen name, Donna Dawson, and both non-fiction for home schooling families and faith romance novels under her own name, Donna Fawcett.

- The Fires of Fury* (Awe-Struck Books) Coming 2009
- The Adam & Eve Project* (Word Alive Press)
- Redeemed* (Word Alive Press)
- Thriving in the Home School*, by Donna Fawcett (Word Alive Press)

Angelina Fast-Vlaar

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Best-selling author Angelina Fast-Vlaar, of St. Catharines, Ontario, has taught college-level psychology, worked as a counsellor, and led many Bible studies. Her book *Seven Angels for Seven Days* won The Word Guild's Best New Canadian Christian Author Award in 2004, and her articles and poetry have appeared in several magazines. The mother of five was widowed in 1987 and remarried in 1994. A popular inspirational speaker, Angelina draws on her wealth of experience to captivate and motivate her audiences. As a cancer survivor, she offers hope and encouragement via her "Valley of Cancer" Website.

Seven Angels for Seven Days (Castle Quay)

The Valley of Cancer: A Journey of Comfort and Hope (Essence)



Grace Fox

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Grace Fox is a popular speaker at international women's events and a frequent radio and television guest on programs such as *100 Huntley Street* and *It's a New Day*. She publishes *Growing with Grace*, an inspirational monthly newsletter that encourages thousands worldwide, and a quarterly newsletter for Christian women in leadership.

Grace lives in Abbotsford, British Columbia, with her husband, Gene. They are the directors of International Messengers Canada Inc., a ministry that specializes in creative short-term and career overseas opportunities. They have three grown children, two of whom are married, and one grandchild. *Moving From Fear to Freedom: A Woman's Guide to Peace in Every Situation* (Harvest House)

10-Minute Time Outs for You and Your Kids (Harvest House)

10-Minute Time Outs for Busy Women (Harvest House)

10-Minute Time Outs for Moms (Harvest House)



Jean Chamberlain Froese, MD

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Jean Chamberlain Froese is an obstetrician and the founding executive director of Save the Mothers International. Now based in Uganda most of the time, for 10 years she has worked on behalf of mothers in several developing countries. When in Canada, she's based at McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario (jchamber@mcmaster.ca).

Where Have All the Mothers Gone? Stories of Courage and Hope Among the World's Poorest Women (Epic Press)



Thomas Froese

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Writing extensively from overseas, particularly for the *Hamilton Spectator*, Thomas Froese is an award-winning journalist who's known to be humorous, provocative and enlightening. Formerly of St. Catharines, Kitchener and St.

Thomas, Ontario, Thom has written from five continents. He's based in Kampala, Uganda, most of the year, and Hamilton, Ontario, part-time. (thomasfroese@thomasfroese.com)

Open Windows into Unknown Places: A Journalist's Dispatches from Arabia to Africa and Beyond (Epic Press) Coming 2008



W. Harold Fuller

W. Harold Fuller was born on Canada's west coast, served in the Canadian Navy on the east coast, studied missions and Bible on the prairies, edited Africa's largest circulation (at the time) monthly magazine, has ministered in six continents, and with his wife Lorna now resides in Stouffville, Ontario.

An award-winning author (“Jesus Wears a Stethoscope” is adapted from Harold’s 12th book, *Sun Like Thunder*), he holds a diploma in journalism from the Newspaper Institute of America, an honorary doctorate in literature from Biola University, and the 1996 Leslie K. Tarr Award for career achievement and outstanding contribution to the field of Canadian Christian writing. *Sun Like Thunder: Following Jesus on Asia’s Old Silk Road Today* (SIM) Coming 2008; *Maxwell’s Passion & Power* (Maxwell Foundation) *Global Crossroads*, editor (World Evangelical Alliance) *People of the Mandate* (Paternoster/Baker) *Celebrate the God Who Loves* (SIM)

Bonnie Grove
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Bonnie Grove is an innovative thinker and writer. Passionate about people, she writes with clarity about empowerment, hope, strengths and the fullness of life found in Christ. Bonnie has training both in Christian counselling and secular psychology. She has developed and written several social programs currently in use throughout Alberta, and has published articles on parenting and family life. Bonnie lives with her husband, Steve, a pastor, and their two children in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Her first non-fiction Christian book is coming out later this year and she is currently at work on her first novel. *Living Out of Your Strengths* (Beacon Hill Press) Coming 2008

Sheila Wray Gregoire
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Sheila Wray Gregoire is a syndicated parenting columnist and a popular speaker. The author of four books with more on the way, she loves encouraging women to forget about the dust bunnies under their beds and keep their focus on Jesus. She also has a passion for family, and together with her husband Keith speaks at FamilyLife Canada marriage conferences around the nation.

You can usually find Sheila in Belleville, Ontario, where she home-schools her two daughters and knits. Preferably simultaneously. *How Big Is Your Umbrella? Weathering the Storms of Life* (Kregel) *Reality Check* (Essence) *Honey, I Don’t Have a Headache Tonight: Help for Women Who Want to Feel More in the Mood* (Kregel) *To Love, Honor and Vacuum: When You Feel More Like a Maid Than a Wife and a Mother* (Kregel)

Deborah Gyapong
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After finding God in a Boston, Massachusetts drug dealer’s den, Deborah Gyapong moved to Nova Scotia in 1975 to live in a small commune on a dilapidated farm. The dream failed. So the newly single mother answered an ad for a job at a newspaper, and discovered her calling. From print she moved to radio, then to television. She spent 17 years at the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), working mostly as a TV producer. Deborah now covers Canadian federal politics on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, Ontario, for religious newspapers. Her novel *The Defilers* won The Word Guild’s 2005 Best New Canadian Christian Author Award. *The Defilers* (Castle Quay)

Jane Harris
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Jane Harris’s fascination with Canada’s destiny led her to a career as a freelance journalist. Writing in both mainstream and Christian media, she digs into political and social issues that make Canada unique. She and her husband live in Lethbridge, Alberta. *Stars Appearing: The Galts’ Vision of Canada* (Volumes Publishing)



David Kitz

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David Kitz is an actor, award-winning author and a public school teacher. For more than 12 years, he served as an ordained pastor with the Foursquare Gospel Church of Canada. His love for drama and storytelling is evident to all who have seen his Bible-based performances. He has toured across Canada and the United States with a variety of one-man plays for both children and adults. Born and raised in Saskatchewan, David now lives in Ottawa, Ontario, with his wife Karen and their two adult sons, Tim and Joshua.

Psalms Alive! Coming 2008

Little Froggy Explores the BIG World (Essence)

The Soldier, the Terrorist & the Donkey King (Essence)

Marcia Lee Laycock

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Marcia Lee Laycock is a pastor's wife in Blackfalds, Alberta and the mother of three girls. After first writing for her dolls in her parents' attic, she has become an award-winning writer and sought-after speaker/teacher. Her novel *One Smooth Stone* won The Word Guild's Best New Canadian Christian Author Award in 2006.

One Smooth Stone (Castle Quay)

Focused Reflections (Essence)

Keturah Leonforde

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Based in Guelph, Ontario, Keturah Leonforde has one life mission—inspiring individuals, groups and organizations to achieve theirs! Whether as an award-winning author, worship leader, management consultant or career coach, Keturah's passion for igniting potential and facilitating positive transformation has been instrumental in motivating hundreds of clients to identify and pursue their God-given destiny.

Reflections from the Waiting Room: Insights for Thriving When Life Puts You on Hold (Essence)



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N. J. has won numerous awards for her writing; she also received the 2006 Leading Women Award for Excellence in Communication and Media. N. J. currently is working on a spiritual memoir, *LoveChild*.

Glitter of Diamonds (MurderWillOut Mysteries)

Shaded Light (MurderWillOut Mysteries)

Circle of Friends series: *Best of Friends*, *Friends Like These*, *Friends in Need*,

More Than Friends (That's Life! Communications)

In Time of Trouble (That's Life! Communications)

The New You (High Impact Ministries)

The Bridge: Student to Student Discipleship, Vols. 1 and 2 (High Impact Ministries)



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M. D. Meyer

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Deep Waters (Art Bookbindery)

Get Lost! (Art Bookbindery)

Colin's Choice (Essence)



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Wendy Elaine Nelles

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Wendy Elaine Nelles is an award-winning journalist, writer, editor and speaker with wide-ranging experience in the corporate, not-for-profit and publishing sectors. Her news articles, features and profiles have appeared on the front pages of Canadian Christian publications. She holds an MA in Communications with high honour from Wheaton College, Illinois. Her work has impacted many of Canada's writers and editors who are Christian, through co-founding The Word Guild in 2002 and directing many writing awards programs and writers' conferences. The Toronto resident has served on the leadership team of Canada's largest Christian writers' conference, Write! Canada, for 20 consecutive years. Wendy was honoured nationally with the Leading Women Award for Excellence in Communications and Media in 2006.

Denyse O'Leary

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By Design or by Chance? The Growing Controversy on the Origins of Life in the Universe (Augsburg Fortress)
Faith@Science: Why Science Needs Faith in the Twenty-First Century (J. Gordon Shillingford)



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Don Ranney, MD

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Don Ranney, MD, went to India in 1969 to help leprosy sufferers through reconstructive surgery. He also trained five surgeons, wrote two medical books and published 14 scientific papers. Later he established the School of Anatomy at the University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, and wrote 98 more scientific papers. Currently, Don helps accident-injured people through orthopaedic assessments.
When Cobras Laugh (Capstone Fiction)
Chronic Musculoskeletal Injuries in the Workplace (WB Saunders)

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Diane Roblin-Lee's first book, *My Father's Child*, was deemed a classic by television host David Mainse. In her remarkably transparent style, Diane engages hearts, encouraging readers to find life, lessons and leading through their own challenges. Living in Ontario, she has been a writer, TV host (*Nite Lite* and *Raiders of the Lost*), occasional co-host of *100 Huntley Street*, speaker, publisher, mother and grandmother. Her history of The Peoples Church *Into all the World*, with a foreword by Dr. Billy Graham, won The Word Guild's first-place award in the special book category. Through her company, byDesign Media, Diane also designs books (including the interior of *Hot Apple Cider*) and print media. *The Forgotten Key to Christian Marriage*, with Rev. Gordon Williams (byDesign Media) Coming 2008
To My Family—My Life (Castle Quay)
Spirit-Led Days: Day by Day with the Holy Spirit, with Rev. Gordon Williams (Castle Quay)
Like a Rushing Mighty Wind, with Rev. Gordon Williams (Praise Productions)



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Eleanor Shepherd

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Truly Canadian, Eleanor Shepherd was born in St. John's, Newfoundland; by age 10, she was living in Vancouver, British Columbia. Bilingualism came with a move to France in 1987. She hosted a radio talk show with other pastors in Paris from 1998 to 2002. She has more than 85 articles published in Canada and France, with some also appearing in the U.S.A., Belgium, Switzerland and New Zealand. They furnished material for her teaching on integrated mission in Africa. Eleanor contributes regularly to *Woman Alive* magazine and *Salvationist.ca*. She served nearly 30 years as an ordained officer of The Salvation Army.

Why Families? A Series of Seven Inductive Bible Studies on the Family, by Glen and Eleanor Shepherd (The Salvation Army)

Ray Wiseman

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Ray Wiseman of Fergus, Ontario, began writing seriously in the early 1980s, following previous careers in electronics and ministry in Canada and South Africa. He has written eight books and nearly 1,000 editorials, newspaper features and columns. Ray teaches writing seminars and critiques manuscripts as a service to beginning authors.

When Cobras Laugh (Capstone Fiction)

Write! Better: A Writing Tip for Every Week of the Year (WordWise)

Exploring God's Route 66: An Introduction to the Bible (WordWise)

A Difficult Passage: From Prairie Poverty to Heights Beyond (WordWise)



Carmen Wittmeier

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Carmen Wittmeier completed her MA in English at the University of Alberta in 1999. She taught college courses, edited novels and wrote fiction before joining World Vision Canada in 2007. She resides in Calgary, Alberta, with Rod, her husband of one year, and Woodstock, her cockatiel.

Affirming the Birth Mother's Journey: A Peer Counselor's Guide to Adoption Counseling (Trafford)

Eric E. Wright

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Eric E. Wright, author of six books, has 44 years of experience as a missionary, seminary professor, pastor and writer. He lives with his wife Mary Helen in the eastern Ontario countryside where his new devotional collection, *Down a Country Road*, is set. He edits the *Fellowship Baptist LINK* magazine.

Down a Country Road: 52 Seasonal Readings From Out Where the Sky Springs Free (Day One Publishers) Coming 2008

The Lightning File: A Josh Radley Suspense Novel (Hidden Brook Press)

Revolutionary Forgiveness: Developing a Forgiving Lifestyle (Evangelical Press)

Through a Country Window: Inspiring Stories from Out Where the Sky Springs Free (Essence)

Church—No Spectator Sport: In Search of Spiritual Gifts (Evangelical Press)



Ron Wyse

Canadian-born Ron Wyse brings to his reflections 20 years in a cross-cultural marriage, life on three continents, and extensive training in Scripture as well as studies in counselling. Ron served eight years as a missionary with the Africa Evangelical Fellowship. While teaching Biblical studies in Zimbabwe, Ron did his doctoral work in Proverbs and counselling, and earned a Doctor Divinitatis (DD) degree at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. Ron also taught in Hong Kong, the birthplace of his wife Sarah. They now make their home with their two teens in Markham, Ontario.

Beyond Survival: Marriage and the Quest for Paradise (VMI Publishers)