

Name: Stephanie Brown



One sentence that describes me and my writing:

One would find me to be a creative, introspective, lifelong learner filled with hopeful optimism instilled with a faith-filled approach to life's adventures, both near and far...including my writing.

Brief bio:

God called me to a teaching vocation where I served Him in public schools for 27 years, mainly in grades 5-8 as an English Language Arts (and Science teacher). In those years, I taught students how to find their writing voice and grow as writers. Now I find myself in a student role, learning anew how to seek to honor and bring glory to God through my writing. A lifelong USA Midwestern gal, I now live in rural Kansas. My additional time is spent exploring art, researching family history/genealogy, and engaging in volunteer opportunities.

Why I write:

At seven years old, the world of words fascinated me. I began writing poetry, which became my 'native' writing language as it carried me through my growing up years into my teens and beyond. As a fifteen-year-old, self-expression turned into discovery mode...how to share a newfound faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. I wrote poems for friends. The impact of my words on them had a profound effect on me. I realized that by sharing my words through writing, I could minister to others. That said, throughout my life the God-given passion to write has waned at times but never left me. Now, that desire to write is stronger than ever. Now is the time to discover what God has in store for me as I journey forward, one step at a time...with Him leading the way.

I write:

Fiction: ___short stories ___books

Genres:

Nonfiction: ___articles x personal experience stories x devotions ___books

Genres:

Other: x poetry ___scripts

My audience x Christians x general public x women ___men ___teens x children

I'm currently working on:

Goals I'm working toward include daily journaling, illustrated poetry, devotions/personal stories related to life experiences, family genealogy stories/experiences

My greatest joy and/or struggle in writing is:

Greatest joy: seeing how God meets others' needs (hope, comfort, etc.) through my writing

Greatest struggle: singular focus, procrastination

I'd like to meet writers who:

...write in genres that I do (poetry, devotionals, personal stories), but also those that write in different genres

...could be a potential accountability partner

☒ I belong to a writers' group that is open to new members.

☒ I would like to find a writers' group.

Email: stephepb77@gmail.com **Website:** N/A **Blog:** N/A

City & State (or Country): Kansas, USA

☐ I'm not yet published ☒ I've been published in periodicals

☒ I was published in a book (compilation of devotions by different authors)

"Forgiveness" (Recounts my personal experience being bullied in junior high school and God's path to my forgiveness of the bully)

Date and publisher: Nov/Dec issue: November 7, 2019; The Upper Room

Prayer focus: Bullies and their victims

"Unchained Joy" (Recounts my daughter's medical emergency [mononucleosis/ruptured spleen/major loss of blood] and God meeting all her needs at the time) Need: Healing

God Still Meets Needs: Christians Tell Stories of God Being There in Tough Times (book)

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