

## Books By Wilshire Authors

Explore these titles and others at the Wilshire Author Fair

Noon to 2 p.m.

January 14, 2024

Community Hall

Wilshire Baptist Church

4316 Abrams Road

Dallas, Texas 75214

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### Lou Alpert

*Surrender: A Love Letter to My Daughter*

Delivered with honesty and insight, this book gives voice to the truth of one mother's journey through her child's heroin addiction.

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### Walter Ashby

*Impaired, But Empowered – A Memoir of Faith, Fortitude and Fortune*

Experience the challenges and joys of a successful person who is legally blind in a world designed by sighted people for sighted people.

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### Dr. Bill G. Bruster

*Living on the Edge*

An autobiographical view of leadership with an emphasis on the importance of risk taking in leadership.

*A History of First Baptist Church of Siloam Springs, Ark.*

A book written to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the church.

*A History of the Central Baptist Church Bearden of Knoxville, Tn.*

A book written to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the church.

*My Home/Today and Tomorrow*

A book to help teens as they consider their present with the future in mind.

*How to Encourage Others.*

A book written to equip people as encouragers.

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**George Gagliardi**

*Some Hope for the Holidays: Reflections on Christmas & Easter*

A collection of stories, essays, poems, scripts and lyrics that explores the true meaning of Christmas and Easter from this award-winning musician and writer.

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**Sally Gary**

*Affirming: A Memoir of Faith, Sexuality, and Staying in the Church*

A deeply moving story of a Christian woman's journey to accept herself as gay.

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**Jeff Hampton**

*Aransas Morning and Aransas Evening*

Tales of community and redemption on the Texas Gulf Coast.

*Grandpa Jack*

One man's journey through the labyrinth of American politics.

*Jonah Prophet*

A modern retelling of the Biblical story of Jonah and the whale.

*The Snowman Uprising on Hickory Lane*

A cautionary tale about what happens when you pester the wrong person.

*Together: Thoughts and Stories about Living in Community*

Essays about the highs and lows of living in community.

*When the Light Returned to Main Street*

A collection of short stories for the Christmas holidays.

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**Grady Hinton**

*Three Ministers and a Designated Liar*

A collection of humorous stories compiled from the author's life, father and friends.

### *Humor in My Life*

A collection of humorous stories compiled from the author's life, father and friends.

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### **R.G. Huff**

#### *Hymn Lines*

Devotional book with 75 entries based on lines and phrases from great hymns and gospel songs of the church.

#### *Activity Book for Church-Going Folks*

Puzzles, games and activities for people who've gone to church their whole life.

#### *Book Club Notes*

For anyone who attends a book club and wants to keep their notes handy and organized.

### **Journals**

#### *Hymn Lines Journal*

150 pages for journaling. Each page has a writing prompt with a line or phrase from a great hymn or gospel song of the church.

#### *Note Book for Musicians*

100 pages for journaling and note taking with music terms and facts sprinkled throughout.

#### *This is Me, God*

A journal/diary with scripture prompts on each page.

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### **JoBeth Jones (Mary Kay Jackman and Julie Offord Owen)**

#### **Mystery Adventure Series**

*Justice in Jeterville* opens a series of adventures for Carolann, EJ, their friends and family, taking them from East Texas to Memphis (*Missing in Memphis*) and Dallas (*Death in Dallas*). New Orleans calls them to find justice for one of their beloveds. Expect *No Mercy in New Orleans* later this year. (Author JoBeth Jones)

#### *Two Silly Chickens*

Bright primary colors, humorous images and a simply-worded poem tell pre-readers through six-year-olds where their breakfast eggs come from. (Author JoBeth Jones)

*Christmas Counting Carol*

Luscious illustrations from one lonely camel to ten angels announcing Christ's birth give this book its appeal for reading to small children and for older children learning to read and count. (Authors Mary Jackman, Julie Owen, David Clanton)

*Fred A. Frog*

Depicted in glorious color, unlikely friends – a frog, a bee and the sun – chat with each other about their respective roles in nature, appealing to pre-readers and children learning to read. (Author Julie Owen, Mary Kay Jackman)

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**Karen Keen**

*The Word of a Humble God: The Origins, Inspiration, and Interpretation of Scripture*

A fascinating look at how we got the Bible and why it matters for the way we interpret scripture today.

*The Jesus Way: Practicing the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises*

A hands-on guide to a 500-year-old Christian devotional practice, complete with daily options for a nine-month spiritual journey in everyday life.

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**Jack Levison**

*Fresh Air: The Holy Spirit for an Inspired Life*

This book takes the Holy Spirit from the mountaintop to the grit of everyday life by showing the Holy Spirit is not just about speaking in tongues, spiritual gifts or “fruits,” but also about our deepest breath and our highest aspirations.

*Forty Days with the Holy Spirit*

Encounter God in fresh and surprising ways by developing stronger spiritual muscles as you breathe, read, reflect, pray and cultivate a relationship with the least familiar member of the Trinity.

*A Boundless God: The Spirit according to the Old Testament*

Grounded in scholarship yet accessible and inviting, this book unlocks the world of the Spirit, plunging readers into an imaginative realm of fresh senses, sounds and skills.

*An Unconventional God: The Spirit according to Jesus*

A fresh take on the Holy Spirit through a careful reading of every reference to the Spirit in the Gospels. Viewed through the lens of Jesus's life, death and resurrection, the Spirit shows up at odd times and in odd teachings.

*The Pursuit of Life: The Promise and Challenge of Palliative Care*

An examination of the crucial concerns in palliative care, including the proper balance between comfort and cure, the integration of spiritual well-being, and the challenges of providing care in the absence of basic medical services and supplies.

*Seven Secrets of the Spirit-Filled Life: Daily Renewal, Purpose & Joy When You Partner with the Holy Spirit*

Having spent years of his life studying the Holy Spirit, renowned theologian and acclaimed author Jack Levison shares seven secrets to a fuller, deeper and more powerful relationship with the Spirit.

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**George A. Mason**

*The Word Made Fresh: Preaching God's Love for Every Body*

Eighty selected sermons by George Mason from 33 years of the Wilshire pulpit, along with contributions by esteemed commentators talking about the sermons, with an introduction and afterword about the craft of preaching by Dr. Mason.

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**Jerry McElveen**

*Come, Let Us Conjure*

A collection of poems.

*Pushing the Pullets*

A collection of poems.

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**Annette Miller**

*Daring the Dark: A Workbook for Exploring Your Evolving Spiritual Questions*

A compassionate guide for spiritual questers through a critical thinking process for seeking answers to their spiritual questions.

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## **Kay Moore**

### *Gathering the Missing Pieces in an Adopted Life*

True stories of trial and triumph in searches by adopted individuals, as the contemporary issue of connecting with birth families is examined from every angle, centered around the author's soul-searching journey to fill in missing gaps in her own past.

### *When the Heart Soars Free*

In this contemporary romance, two talented ski experts meet in a storybook setting in a Colorado resort. A shattering betrayal leaves their hopes for a bright, shared future in ruins, but a tender search for restoration and healing follows.

### *Garland Latino Heritage Cookbook*

Tantalizing recipes from a wide array of Latino countries accompanied by the story of a Latino family with Garland, Texas connections and a view of celebrations, holidays and family together-times where the recipes were featured.

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## **Ronnie Ortegon**

### *The Hitter's Discipline: A Mental Performance Guide for the Baseball Player*

Hitting a baseball may be the most difficult thing in all of sports, yet instructor and author Ronnie Ortegon helps players reach their diamond dreams with his simplistic, yet sound strategy called "The Hitter's Discipline."

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## **Priscilla Pope-Levison**

### *Models of Evangelism*

This book helps readers move beyond evangelistic caricatures to consider thoughtfully and practically how they can engage in evangelism, whether it's through one-on-one conversations, social media, social justice or the liturgy of worship services.

### *Building the Old Time Religion: Women Evangelists in the Progressive Era*

A look at how women evangelists built the old-time religion with brick and mortar, uniforms and automobiles, fresh converts and devoted protégés.

*Evangelization from a Liberation Perspective*

An examination of evangelization in through the writings of 10 theologians, demonstrating that evangelization serves uniquely as a bridge between theology and praxis.

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**Ella Prichard**

*Reclaiming Joy: A Primer for Widows*

Practical advice on how to move from grief to joy, told through this book that is part memoir, part guide, part inspiration.

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**Mary Elliott Skinner**

*Oak Cliff (Images of Modern America)*

A photographic tour of the history of Oak Cliff between 1960 and 2016.

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**Jeanne Spreier**

*Ride for Freedom: The Story of Sybil Ludington (Heroes to Remember)*

In 1777, on a cold and stormy night in the New York Colony, sixteen-year-old Sybil Ludington makes a dangerous and difficult ride to warn the local militiamen that the British Army is looting and burning nearby Danbury, Connecticut.

*Best Cowboy in the West: The Story of Nat Love (Heroes to Remember)*

Nat Love, born a slave, leaves home to earn money for his family and becomes known as one of the best cowboys in the Midwest.

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**Scott Spreier**

*Resurrecting St. John the Rancher*

One man's spiritual journey home to face his ghosts of the past, wrapped up in the mysterious death of a kindly old rancher.

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**Ross West**

**Commentaries**

*Understanding the Gospel of Matthew*

*Understanding the Gospel of Mark*

*Understanding the Gospel of Luke*

*Understanding the Gospel of John*

*Understanding the Book of Acts*

*Understanding the Letter to the Romans*

*Understanding 1 Corinthians*

*Understanding 2 Corinthians*

*Understanding the Letter to the Galatians*

*Understanding the Letter to the Ephesians*

*Understanding the Letter to the Philippians*

*Understanding the Letters to the Colossians and Philemon*

*Understanding 1 and 2 Thessalonians*

*Understanding 1 and 2 Timothy and Titus*

*Understanding the Book of Hebrews*

*Understanding the Book of James*

*Understanding 1 and 2 Peter and Jude*

*Understanding 1, 2, and 3 John*

*Understanding the Book of Revelation*

### **Guides, Meditations and Devotionals**

*Reading the Bible Jesus Read*

A guide for understanding what happened in the Old Testament and how the books fit together.

*Reading Through the New Testament*

A handbook for reading—with more understanding—all the books of the New Testament in the likely order in which they were written.

*Grief and Hope*

Meditations for moving through grief to hope.



*Seven Words to Live By*

Meditations on Jesus' words from the cross.

*The Christmas to Remember*

Meditations on the first Christmas.

*Guidance for a Good Life*

Meditations on Scripture texts from the Revised Common Lectionary Year A.

*What Life Is Meant to Be Like*

Meditations on Scripture texts from the Revised Common Lectionary Year B.

*Living in the Meanwhile*

Meditations on Scripture texts from the Revised Common Lectionary Year C.

*How to Be Happier in the Job You Sometimes Can't Stand*

Steps toward being happier in the job you sometimes can't stand.

*Go to Work and Take Your Faith Too!*

Ways to relate faith to one's daily work.

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**Mark Wingfield**

*Honestly: Telling the Truth about the Bible and Ourselves*

A look at how the Bible has been misused by some to perpetuate certain kinds of lies and untruths in ways that plague both politics and religion in America today.

*Why Churches Need to Talk about Sexuality: Lessons Learned from Hard Conversations about Sex, Gender, Identity, and the Bible*

An exploration written for clergy and lay leaders of how one congregation undertook a detailed study of how the church should respond to the inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members.

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**Collin Yarbrough**

*Paved A Way: Infrastructure, Policy, and Racism in an American City*

An investigation into the impact of inequitable infrastructure development in five of Dallas' Black and Mexican American neighborhoods and how we can identify injustice and work to repair our cities toward a more just future.