



# The Librarian

Fall 2010



## The First Thanksgiving

So once in every year we  
throng  
upon a day apart,  
To praise the Lord with  
feast and song  
In thankfulness of heart.



**The Pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts. No Americans have been more impoverished than these who, nevertheless, set aside a day of thanksgiving.**

*H.U. Westermayer*

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## Donations

Do you have good Christian books, DVDs or CDs that you could donate to the Library? If so, they should be:

- Christian in content
- Published 10 or less, years ago
- Next-to-new condition
- No writing or marks inside

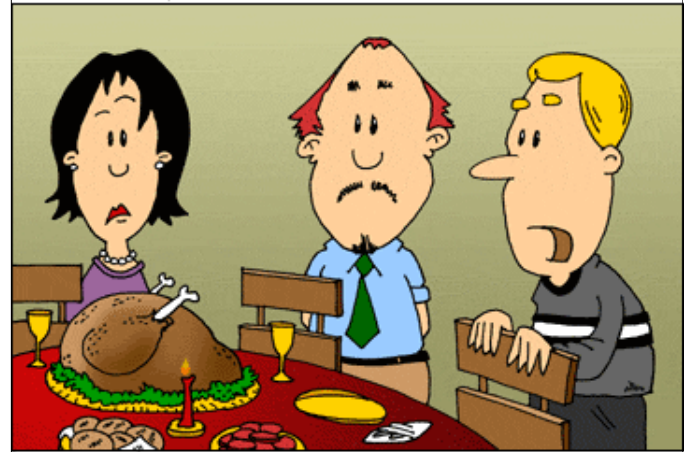
*(Any genre or age-group is accepted)*

*From the Library Staff...  
"Happy Thanksgiving!"*

**Kathy Ansell  
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**HAS IT ALREADY BEEN A YEAR SINCE WE WERE THANKFUL?**

## Young Readers Write Reviews!

### The Secret Life of Samantha McGregor (series) **Author:** Melody Carlson



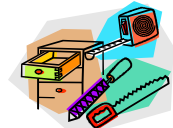
Samantha McGregor has the unique god-given ability to look into the future. Picture yourself knowing something horrible was going to happen to your father and waking up the next morning and hearing he was shot. How would you react if it happened to you? Samantha is filled with guilt as she realizes her father could have survived if she had told him. Adding to her problems with her gift, her brother has started drugs again. I am a pre-teen and thought these books were absolutely fantastic. *(Reviewer didn't want her name on the review)*

### Hollywood Nobody (a teen series) **Author:** Lisa Samson



This book is filled with quirky characters, adventure and a search for God. Imagine knowing the ins and outs of Hollywood, but living on the outside. That's what it's like for Scotty Dawn, a young girl with a passion for the internet, coffee, and vintage clothing. Living on the road constantly is challenging for Scotty. However, because of her mother Charley's occupation as a food stylist for movies, her home is an RV. Constantly they are running away from something...from Charley's past which is unknown to Scotty. Meanwhile, Scotty is searching for God. I found this series riveting and couldn't put it down. *(Reviewer: Mackenzie Wiebe – age 13)*

### Landon Snow (Series) **Author:** R K Mortenson



This series is filled with gospel, adventure, suspense, and mystery. It is about a boy named Landon Snow. His life changes when he falls through a trapdoor in his grandpa's workshop where he falls into the exciting world of Wonderland. Here he meets friends like Melech (the horse), Vates (the prophet) and Hardy. It is fantastic, fun and exciting. I recommend this book for grades 4 – 6. *(Reviewer: Grayden Wiebe – age 9)*



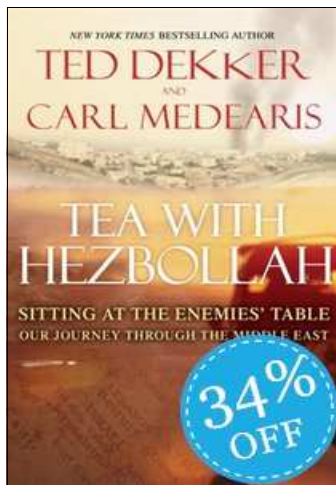
## About the Authors

**Melody Carlson** has published more than one hundred books for children, teens, and adults—with sales totaling more than two million and many titles appearing on the ECPA Bestseller's List. Several of her books have been finalists for and winners of various writing awards. Her Diary of a Teenage Girl series has received great reviews and a large box of fan mail. Melody has two grown sons and lives in Central Oregon with her husband. They enjoy skiing, hiking, gardening, camping, and biking in the beautiful Cascade Mountains.

**Lisa Samson** was born in Baltimore, MD. She lives in intentional Christian community in urban Kentucky with her husband, three children, three other household members and three cats, changing the old adage to "Good things come in threes." While she has always been interested in issues of grace, she is now interested in issues of mercy, peace and justice as well. She is her sister's biggest fan.

**R. K. Mortenson** is a published author of children's books. Some of the published credits of R. K. Mortenson include Landon Snow & the Auctor's Riddle, Landon Snow & The Auctor's Kingdom, Landon Snow and the Volucer Dragon .

## Featured Fall Item



### **Tea With Hezbollah: Sitting at the Enemies' Table... Our Journey Through the Middle East By Ted Dekker and Carl Medearis**

Is it really possible to love one's enemies?

That's the question that sparked a fascinating and, at times, terrifying journey into the heart of the Middle East during the summer of 2008. It was a trip that began in Egypt, passed beneath the steel and glass high rises of Saudi Arabia, then wound through the bullet-pocked alleyways of Beirut and dusty streets of Damascus, before ending at the cradle of the world's three major religions: Jerusalem.

*Tea with Hezbollah* combines nail-biting narrative with the texture of rich historical background, as readers join novelist Ted Dekker and his co-author and Middle East expert, Carl Medearis, on a hair-raising journey. They are with them in every rocky cab ride, late-night border crossing, and back-room conversation as they sit down one-on-one with some of the most notorious leaders of the Arab world. These candid discussions with leaders of Hezbollah and Hamas, with muftis, sheikhs, and ayatollahs, with Osama bin Laden's brothers, reveal these men to be real people with emotions, fears, and hopes of their own. Along the way, Dekker and Medearis discover surprising answers and even more surprising questions that they could not have anticipated - questions that lead straight to the heart of Middle Eastern conflict.

Through powerful narrative *Tea With Hezbollah* will draw the West into a completely fresh understanding of those we call our enemies and the teaching that dares us to love them. A must read for all who see the looming threat rising in the Middle East.

#### **ABOUT THE AUTHORS:**

**Ted Dekker** is the author of many nationally best-selling novels, including *Bone Man's Daughters*, *The Circle Series*, *Thr3e*, and *House*. His unique style of storytelling has captured the attention of millions worldwide. Visit him at [TedDekker.com](http://TedDekker.com) and [Facebook.com/TedDekker](https://www.facebook.com/TedDekker).

**Carl Medearis** is an international expert in the field of Arab-American and Muslim-Christian relations. He acts as a catalyst for a number of current movements in the Middle East to promote peace-making and to promote cultural, political and religious dialog leading toward reconciliation. He is the author of the acclaimed book on these issues *Muslims, Christians and Jesus*. Visit him at [www.carlmedearis.com](http://www.carlmedearis.com)

**Editor's Note:** On **Sunday November 14th**, **Carl Medearis** (*author, above*), will be joining us at Bethel. He will be speaking briefly at the two later services: 9:45 AM and 11:00 AM. He will also be speaking about his book, his experiences, and his relationships with Muslims when he was in the Middle East, at **2:00 PM at Bethel**, in the afternoon of **Sunday, Nov 14**. We invite everyone to join us at any of these times. Come into the library and take out the book! I've read it and can very much relate to their experiences with Muslims, and the sights and sounds of the Middle East. Whether you've been to the ME or not, this is a very warm, compassionate book about people living in different cultures. I think you will enjoy it. *G.Teske*

## Check Out These New Acquisitions in the Library

### Non-Fiction:

- 260 HOH** .....Beyond the Emerging Church.....Thomas Hohstadt  
**242.68 CAL**...Golfing with the Master.....Phil Callaway  
**248 HEM**.....Sixty Seconds with God.....Ron Hembree  
**248 HEM**.....Embraced By the Cross.....L. E. Maxwell  
**248.22 OST**...It's Your Time: Activate Your Faith, Achieve Your Dreams.....Joel Osteen  
**248.32 OLE**...The Secret of How to Make Prayer Requests Known to God.....Albert Olema  
**248 MOO**.....So Long, Insecurity, You've Been a Bad Friend to Us.....Beth Moore  
**248.86 DOB**...Wrecked: What God Can Do When Things Crash and Burn.....Ryan Dobson  
**248.8 RED**.....God Knows My Name: Never Forgotten, Forever Loved.....Beth Redman  
**248.86 SMI**...I will Carry You: The Sacred Dance of Grief and Joy.....Angie Smith  
**248 JER**.....Can You Hear Me? Tuning in to the God Who Speaks.....Brad Jersak  
**248.4 LUC**.....Outlive Your Life: You Were Made to Make a Difference.....Max Lucado  
**290 DEK**.....Tea with Hezbollah: Sitting at the Enemies' Table.....Ted Dekker/Carl Medearis



### Fiction:

- The Secret (*Seasons of Grace, Bk 1*).....Beverly Lewis  
 The Thorn (*The Rose Trilogy, Bk 1*).....Beverly Lewis  
 Hannah's Hope (*Red Gloves Series*).....Karen Kingsbury  
 Fancy Pants.....Cathy Hake  
 A Gathering of Finches.....Jane Kirkpatrick  
 Home Another Way.....Crista Parrish  
 The Hope of Refuge.....Cindy Woodsmall  
 Pirate Hunter.....Tom Morrisey  
 In High Places.....Tom Morrisey  
 The Outsider.....Ann Gabhart  
 The Pursuit (*English Garden series, Bk 4*).....Lori Wick  
 Skizzer.....Angela Kiesling  
 A Stranger's Wish.....Gayle Roper  
 Washington's Lady.....Nancy Moser  
 A Lineage of Grace: Five stories of unlikely women who changed eternity.....Francine Rivers  
 Love finds You in Romeo, Colorado (*Love Finds You, Bk 4*).....Gwen Faulkenberry  
 The Rose Legacy (*Diamond of the Rockies, Bk 1*).....Kristen Heitzmann  
 Sweet Boundless (*Diamond of the Rockies, Bk 2*).....Kristen Heitzmann  
 The Tender Vine (*Diamond of the Rockies, Bk 3*).....Kristen Heitzmann  
 The Mandie Collection.....Lois Leppard  
 From a Distance (*Timber Ridge Reflections*).....Tamera Alexander  
 Rekindled (*Fountain Creek Chronicles, Bk 1*).....Tamera Alexander  
 Revealed (*Fountain Creek Chronicles, Bk 2*).....Tamera Alexander  
 Remembered (*Fountain Creek Chronicles, Bk 3*).....Tamera Alexander  
 Perpetua: a bride, a martyr, a passion.....Amy Peterson  
 Rachel's Secret: (*The Riverhaven Years, Bk 1*).....B. J. Hoff  
 The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus (*3rd*).....John Cross  
 Immanuel's Veins.....Ted Dekker  
 Beloved Castaway.....Kathleen Y'Barbo  
 The Noble Fugitive (*Heirs of Acadia, Bk 3*).....T Davis Bunn/Isabella Bunn



More New Items...

**Junior and Youth:**

- (YF) A Whisper and a Wish (*Christy Miller series, Bk 2*).....Robin Gunn
- (YF) Your Forever (*Christy Miller series, Bk 3*).....Robin Gunn
- (YF) Surprise Endings (*Christy Miller series, Bk 4*) .....Robin Gunn
- (JF) Lucy Out of Bounds (*Faithgirlz! Bk 2*) .....Nancy Rue
- (JF) Lucy’s “Perfect” Summer (*Faithgirlz Bk 3*).....Nancy Rue
- (JF) Manga Mutiny .....NEXT
- (JF) Power Play: Beware of Broken Promises (*Laptop, #4*).....Christopher Maselli
- (JF) Runaway (*Starlight Animal Rescue*).....Dandi Mackall
- (JNF) Bible Fortresses, Temple & Tombs (*2:52 soul gear*).....Rick Osbourne
- (JNF) Bible Wars & Weapons.....Rick Osbourne/Wooding/Strauss
- (JNF) Between God and Me: A Journey through Proverbs..... Vicki Courtney

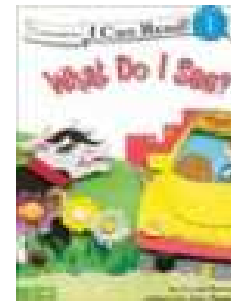


**Children:**

- My First Prayers.....Stephanie Longfoot
- The Story of the Loaves and Fishes.....Patricia Pingry/Venturi-Pickett
- Veggie Bible Atlapedia: (Bible Atlas+ Encyclopedia).....Big Idea, Inc
- A Treasury of Old Testament Heroes.....Ideals Publication
- The Kids Bible.....Christine Lane/Chapman
- Life and Miracles (*The Jesus Series*).....Read & Share Nelson Bible
- Pistachio (*A lesson in listening...Veggie Tales*).....VeggieTales
- My First Bible.....Yoko Matsuoko/Krome
- My First Day of School.....Nancy Skarmeas/Johnson

**“I Can Read” (Level 1 series):**

- Mad Maddie Maxwell.....Stacie Maslyn/Schettle
- Mud Pie Annie.....Sue Buchanon/Shafar/Allen
- My Cowboy Boots.....Crystal Bowman/Johnson
- Sister for Sale.....Michelle Adams/Brooks
- Snug as a Bug.....Amy Imbody/Gordon
- What Do I See?.....Crystal Bowman/Thomson

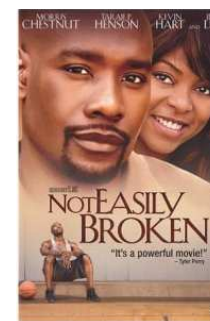


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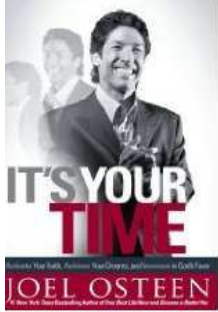
- Reveal Where Are You?.....Hawkins/Parkinson/Arnson
- The Message: The History Books.....Eugene Peterson
- Be Complete: *Become the whole person God intends you to be*.....Warren Wiersbe

**DVDs:**

- Not Easily Broken
- The Note
- End of the Spear ([www.foxfait.com](http://www.foxfait.com))
- Beyond the Gates of Splendor ([www.foxfait.com](http://www.foxfait.com))
- (CH) Life and Miracles (*The Jesus Series*)



## Non-Fiction Reviews....



**It's Your Time:** *Activate Your Faith, achieve your dreams and increase in God's favor. Get your hopes up. Raise your expectations. Your best days are in front of you. This is exactly the moment to put your faith into action and expect God's blessings. It's your time to declare your faith, to look for God's favor, and to give control of your life to Him so that you can find fulfillment in His plans for you!* Joel Osteen, who has quickly become the pastor of a new generation and a voice of hope for millions, issues a call to readers to seize the day and recognize that God has given them the power to improve their lives. Whether you are going through a difficult time or looking for ways to increase in God's favor and soar to new heights of fulfillment, this book will provide bold new prayers, inspiring

stories, and practical tools to help you move forward in faith and realize your dreams. The hopeful messages and warm encouragement in this book will push you to expand your horizons beyond what you thought you were capable of doing so that you might go even further than you'd ever dreamed of going.

**IT'S YOUR TIME!** (Book written by Joel Osteen)

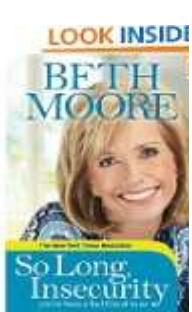
### Can You Hear Me? Tuning In to the God Who Speaks....by Brad Jersak

A book that has already helped thousands of readers to discover a prayer life that is what we long for and see patterned in Scripture. Some readers comments:

- Brad Jersak does a fantastic job laying out the scriptural basis for directly hearing from God, and even better, having a two-way conversation with Him. This book single-handedly revolutionized my time studying the scriptures and praying. After practicing the drills Brad recommends, I was able to feel more connected to God than ever before. This is a must read.
- This book is amazing! It takes the WooWoo and the mysteriousness out of hearing God speak. So many people believe that God doesn't speak to them but in reality Jesus has said that His sheep hear His voice. Brad Jersak does a great job in teaching how God speaks in a step by step manner. He includes many "tuning in.." opportunities to practice the methods that he teaches. It's always a revelation that God really speaks as people go through this book!



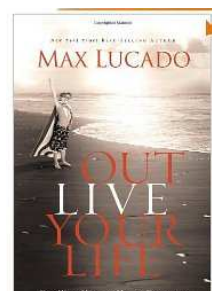
### So Long Insecurity, You've Been a Bad Friend to Us.....Beth Moore



Prolific Bible teacher and women's ministry leader Moore (*Get Out of That Pit*) moves away from her characteristic dead-on expositions of scriptural principles in her newest; the topic is insecurity, and the content, she admits, is close to an autobiography. Moore, always transparent with her own personal struggles, is refreshingly so throughout this text. Readers will be chortling in laughter one moment and sucking air the next as Moore exposes the many faces of female insecurity. The author names and claims each one, then defuses every bit of power these nonsensical inner voices possess by countering their lies with God's truth. Women, no matter what their age, battle against advertising's siren call for unattainable physical perfection; the habit of making a man's love the ultimate validation; and the worldly definition of success as money, power, and status. Moore uses personal essays, women's true confessions, expressive prayers, and lots of commonsense suggestions to jar women out of their insecure rut. Readers will delve into this work and find themselves comfortably uncomfortable, and this is a very good thing.

### Outlive Your Life: You were made to make a difference.....Max Lucado

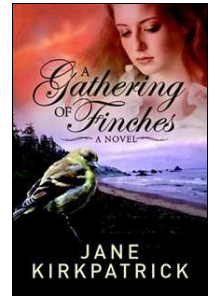
These are difficult days in our world's history. 1.75 billion people are desperately poor, natural disasters are gouging entire nations, and economic uncertainty still reigns across the globe. But you and I have been given an [opportunity](#) to make a big difference. What if we did? What if we rocked the world with hope? Infiltrated all corners with God's love and life? We are created by a great God to do great works. He invites us to outlive our lives, not just in heaven, but here on earth. Let's live our lives in such a way that the world will be glad we did. **Max Lucado**, Minister of Writing and Preaching for the Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, husband of Denalyn and father of Jenna, Andrea, and Sara. On a good week he reads a good book, has a few dinners with his wife, and breaks 90 on the golf course.



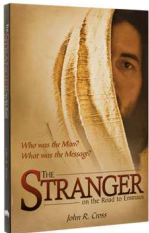
## Fiction Reviews

### **A Gathering of Finches...** *by Jane Kirkpatrick*

Based on historical characters and events, *A Gathering of Finches* tells the story of a turn-of-the-century Oregon coastal couple and the consequences of their choices, as seen through the eyes of the wife, her sister, and her Indian maid. Along the way, the reader will discover reasons to trust that money and possessions can't buy happiness or forgiveness, nor permit us to escape the consequences of our choices. The story emphasizes the message that real meaning is found in relationships we nurture and in living our lives in obedience to God.



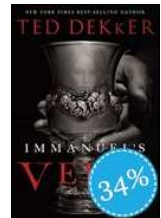
### **The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus...** *John Cross*



What if there was a tool that could not only make sharing your faith less intimidating, but also help give you a better grasp of what you believe? A way to communicate the gospel in such a way that as you shared it, people's eyes would light up with an understanding of what Jesus Christ did for them? A way to make what many see as a dusty old book come alive with meaning in their lives? This fully illustrated, 304-page book is written for adults and teens who know little or nothing about the Bible. It explains in a straightforward way the greatest themes of the Bible, step by step creating an understanding of sin, substitution and atonement. You yourself may be asking the meaning of these terms, words you've heard many times but never quite grasped the full meaning of. These truths are woven through the text as each chapter builds on the previous. By the end, the reader has the foundation needed to understand the importance of Christ's death and resurrection. The logical teaching of truth from creation to the cross makes for a clear understanding of what the Bible is all about.

### **Immanuel's Veins.....** *Ted Dekker*

**This story is for everyone--but not everyone is for this story.** It is a dangerous tale of times past. A love story full of deep seduction. A story of terrible longing and bold sacrifice. Then as now, evil begins its courtship cloaked in light. And the heart embraces what it should flee. Forgetting it once had a truer lover. With a kiss, evil will ravage body, soul, and mind. Yet there remains hope, because the heart knows no bounds. Love will prove greater than lust. Sacrifice will overcome seduction. And blood will flow. Because the battle for the heart is always violently opposed. For those desperate to drink deep from this fountain of life, enter. But remember, not everyone is for this story. A heart-wrenching journey of redemption and hope that will leave you sobbing, laughing, and clinging to every word.

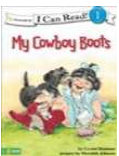


## **Children's: "I Can Read Series...Level 1:**

### **Mad Maddie Maxwell.....** *Stacy Maslyn/Schettle*



Maddie's jump rope is missing. When she doesn't find it in all the usual places, she gets angry. She blames each member of her family in turn. Through familiar rhyme and repetition, simple text, and delightful illustrations, this level-one I Can Read Book provides support for the earliest readers. Maddie's jump rope is missing, and she's angry! Who took her jump rope? Will forgiveness happen after this? Find out in this delightful **I Can Read Book!**



### **My Cowboy Boots.....** *by Crystal Bowman/Johnson*

Crystal Bowman's use of fun rhymes in **My Cowboy Boots** gives level-one readers ideas for an 'old boring day'. In this delightfully illustrated soft cover book, a little girl and her red cowboy boots do all sorts of things together. Things that make her feet very happy!

### **Sister for Sale.....** *Michelle Adams/Brooks*

In *Sister for Sale*, a big brother pleads with God to help him write an ad to get rid of his sister, but once he lists all of her good qualities, he realizes that maybe she isn't so bad after all.



### **Snug as a Bug.....** *Amy Imbody/Gordon*

Level-one readers will enjoy reading this delightful rhyming bedtime story. They'll learn that God has given animals places they can sleep. And while God loves animals, he has a special love for children.



## Salte Family Members Nominated for Awards!



### **Linnea Salte is Nominated for Three GMA Covenant Awards:**

On Wed., Sept. 15th, the Gospel Music Association of Canada announced the nominations of the Covenant Awards. Linnea Salte (*Bethel member!*) was nominated for three awards including “New Artist of the Year”; “Pop song of the Year” and “Pop Album of the Year”. Pretty exciting, huh? The Covenant Awards are like the equivalent of the Christian music Junos, or Canada Christian Music Grammy’s! The Canadian GMA Week will be held at the end of October (Oct 27-30) in Calgary. We will all be cheering for you, **Linnea!**

She has also gone on to place as a finalist in the world’s premier songwriting competition, the John Lennon Songwriting Contest! Her album “**Pockets Full of Posies**” was released in Oct, 2009. (*We have 2 copies of this album in our library at Bethel*) Her songs are played all across the nation.

Linnea will be heading out on tour in October with Jill Hagen. For more information check [www.linneasalte.com/tour](http://www.linneasalte.com/tour).

### Junkyard Poets

Junkyard Poets are a six piece industrial percussive driven rock band from Sherwood Park, AB. Featuring the award winning songwriting talents of **Jared Salte and Peter Mol** (*members of Bethel!*), this indie sextuplet is generating a buzz like no other. Junkyard Poets is a throwback to the old ways of making bands. It is composed of incredibly talented players...when they play rock, they rock out! When they play swing, it sounds like swing should. Whatever they do, they do it right! Their newest album “**Rock, Pop, Roll**” is a celebration of catchy, memorable tunes that are not bound by restrictions of genre or style. (*They also have a Christmas Album “Christmas With Junkyard Poets*).



The Junkyard Poets have also been nominated for five Covenant Awards! And, we will also be cheering for them. You can check out their band at [www.junkyardpoets.com](http://www.junkyardpoets.com).

## Break Forth Canada 2011

You can prepare now for **Break Forth 2011, Jan 28-30!** Check out the **Bethel Library** for many of the authors/speakers presenting at these exciting 3 days of conferences, workshops and concerts. Here is just a smattering of items/authors found in the library:

- **Rebel With a Cause**.....Franklin Graham
- **Wild at Heart**.....John Eldredge
- **Captivating**.....Stasi Eldredge
- **Blue Like Jazz**.....Donald Miller
- **What’s So Amazing About Grace**.....Philip Yancey
- **The Five Love Languages**.....Dr Gary Chapman
- **Have A New Kid By Friday** (*on order*).....Dr Kevin Leman
- **Holy God**.....Brian Doerksen
- **Hearing God**.....Brad Jersak
- **Pockets Full of Posies**.....Linnea Salte



**Please  
Note!!**

There are more books by these authors to be found in the library...the ones listed here are mentioned on the **Break Forth 2011 Flyer**.