



## *Calling All Writers!*

**Whether you're a budding writer or published author, you are welcome to come away to learn, be refreshed and write!**

**The 68<sup>th</sup> Green Lake Christian Writers' Conference** will be held August 14-18, 2016 at Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI. If you are longing for a perfect place to write and space just to "be", you will be delighted with this new chapter we're writing together. This event offers a perfect blend of "conference" and "retreat". You'll find abundant opportunities that will inspire you to write. You'll uncover deepening aspirations to grow as a writer in training sessions and you'll have ample time to relax, to reflect and to write.

You will have opportunity to meet with an expert to talk about editing/critiquing; getting "unstuck", a peer review writers' contest; manuscript reviews; book sales and time to work on your own projects. There will be daily devotionals and evening vespers, and we'll conclude with a Writers' Showcase of the week's writings.

In leisure time, you're encouraged to enjoy the grounds in taking a walk, hike, bike, swim, go boating, play golf, visit historic points of interest, shop at Worldwide Gifts for fair trade and mission field merchandise, climb towers and photograph the lake, prairie or gardens.

Through seminars, workshops, peer reviews and more, come join with writers at all different ages and stages and from across the region, gathering to write with a Christian emphasis. New updates and interactions will be coming regularly! Watch for the latest on [www.glcc.org](http://www.glcc.org) and on Facebook [www.facebook.com/GreenLakeChristianWriters](https://www.facebook.com/GreenLakeChristianWriters) Questions can be directed to Program Director: [KrisWood@glcc.org](mailto:KrisWood@glcc.org) ~ Direct 920.294.7253

### **Conference Program Fees:**

- Short Track – Sunday 5 p.m. dinner - Monday evening: \$65
- Full Track – Sunday 5 p.m. dinner - Thursday morning: \$225
- Commuter – Sunday 5 p.m. dinner – Thursday morning: \$225

### **Lodging, Meals and Further Information:**

- All lodging will be in the Kern Lodge at \$114/night for a single or double. Meal plans and lodging arrangements are made through Guest Services at GLCC: 920.294.3323.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** The **FIRST 5 NEW** attendees that register will be awarded \$100 scholarship toward the overall event. This is thanks to the kind generosity of previous attendees and in honor of former director, Jan White-Moon.

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## Come Meet the Faculty for the 68<sup>th</sup> Green Lake Christian Writers' Conference!

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**Susan Baganz** is an Acquisitions Editor with Prism Book Group, specializing in bringing great romance novels and novellas to publication. Susan writes adventurous historical and contemporary romances with a biblical world-view. Susan speaks, teaches,

and encourages others to follow God in being all He has created them to be. With her seminary degree in counseling psychology, a background in the field of mental health, and years serving in church ministry, she understands the complexities and pain of life as well as its craziness. She serves behind-the-scenes in various capacities at her church and is a member of American Christian Fiction Writers (ACFW), and serves on the board of the southeast chapter.



**Wendy K. Walters** is an expert in publishing, product development, and creating a signature brand identity. She knows that resource streams are linked to

one's passion and natural abilities. One of the nation's top coaches for first time authors, she has the ability to help them define a platform and leverage the publishing opportunity for maximum influence. Like few others, Wendy guides you through the maze of distinctions that make you stand out—looking better and sharper. A prolific writer and ghost-writer, some of her books include *Marketing Your Mind*, *Selling Without Sleaze*, and *Intentionality—Live on Purpose!* Wendy conducts writing and branding seminars focused on the publishing process as well as launching and developing successful speaking, coaching, and consulting careers.



**Lin Johnson** is managing editor of *Christian Communicator*; author of more than 70 books, with a specialization in Bible curriculum; a Gold Medallion Book Award and an EPA Higher Goals award recipient; and

adjunct professor of writing at Taylor University. She also directs the Write-to-Publish Conference in the Chicago area and teaches at writers conferences around the world.



**Rev. Sandra Wimpelberg** was born and raised in Scotland and now lives in Nashville, Tennessee! Being on a delightful journey with God has privileged her to experience God at work in many different people and places. As the founder of G-A-P

Coaching her greatest joy in life ministry is to attend to folks who are feeling stuck in the gaps of life. By means of effective, presence-driven coaching and meaningful action she is blessed to watch so many become 'unstuck' and **Gain Access** to their **Potential!**



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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

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**MEALS:** Buffet style, with many options during each meal and all presented in the beautiful main dining room in the Kraft Centre. No refund for meals not taken. All meal tickets are arranged through the Guest Services desk. Any special dietary needs must be made known to Guest Services in advance of your arrival.

**LODGING OPTIONS:** Our meeting room and all sleeping rooms will be in Kern Lodge. All these facilities have private bathrooms and are air-conditioned. Bedding and towels are provided. There is no sales tax on lodging at GLCC.

**COMMUTERS:** For those who live close enough to sleep at home & commute each day, please join us for as many lunches and dinners as possible. Make your meal arrangements with GLCC Guest Services (front desk).

**TIME AND SPACE FOR WORKING ON YOUR PROJECTS or REFLECTING ON YOUR WRITING GOALS**

**BRIEF DEVOTIONS/VESPERS** morning and evening with music and inspiration

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE** your writing on Wednesday evening. You may bring projects you've been working on prior to the conference.

**BOOK STORE:** Bring your published materials to display. We provide collection envelopes for checks and cash. This popular and fun area is in our main meeting room. Get your new purchases signed by the authors!

**FREE BOOK SWAP:** Bring a few books (no more than a half-dozen, hardback or paperback) which have interest for writers or are just good reading material. There's no obligation to bring books in order to take them.

**WRITERS' CONTEST:** This year's contest entrees will be evaluated on-site by your peers! There is no cost to enter, but you must bring your own hard copies to share. Please plan on bringing 35 copies. Choose from the following topics: 1) Something or someone who inspires you; 2) What causes you to grow and aspire to change?; 3) A verse or passage of the Bible that has encouraged you; 4) a profile of a person who overcame great odds to succeed.

- Maximum of one entry per participant. Contest participants must be registered as FULL TRACK attendees or commuters (registered for the whole conference).
- Contest pieces may be in any genre. Pieces are judged on their own merit. 500 word limit.
- Include your name, address, phone number, email address and WORD COUNT on your manuscript, and indicate on which of the five topics you are writing (use the # if you wish).
- The top three winners will be asked to read their pieces.
- Don't be shy; all writers, new or experienced, are invited to submit! And letting others "see" or hear your work is an important step forward in your writing adventure.

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### *Procedure for Manuscript Submissions:*

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*Lin Johnson and Susan Baganz will meet with writers who have submitted manuscripts in advance. They will review select manuscripts prior to the conference. During your one-on-one appointment with one of them, you'll have a chance to discuss the project.*

- NOTE: Each editor has specific requests for manuscripts. Please contact Kris Wood for criteria. [KrisWood@glcc.org](mailto:KrisWood@glcc.org)
- One submission per person, available only to full track attendees staying at GLCC and full track commuters.
- DEADLINE for submissions: postmarked or emailed by Monday, August 1, 2016

- You may submit your manuscript by email to [KrisWood@glcc.org](mailto:KrisWood@glcc.org) and send as an attachment in Microsoft WORD. Please mail the entrance fee of \$25 close to the time of your email, including your full contact information with the check. Make your check payable to GLCC, ATTN: Kris Wood
- Meetings are scheduled on Tuesday & Wednesday and appointments will last about 25 minutes.
- Projects may be for books, short stories or articles of any kind.

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**GREEN LAKE CHRISTIAN WRITERS' CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES**

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**Part 1: Register for the Conference: ALL registrations are to be called in to Guest Services at 920.294.3323. This is true for Full Track, Short Track and Commuters.**

**Program Fees** (Sunday-Thursday morning):

Full Track - \$225 .....	\$ _____
Short Track (Sun-Mon only) - \$65.....	\$ _____
Commuter Track - \$225 .....	\$ _____

- Checks are payable to **GREEN LAKE CONFERENCE CENTER** or use a **Credit Card when you call in.**
- Registration is due **Monday, August 1, 2016.** [Some late registrations may be possible, depending on availability.] Cancellation policy provided upon request.

**Part 2: Reserve Your Room and Meals**

- **Reserve your room and meals with Guest Services (920-294-3323). All lodging and meetings will be in Kern Lodge. Single or Double: \$114 per night. Full meal package is \$128.25. Other meal rates available upon request for short track and commuters.**
- **If you are one of the FIRST 5 new writers to register, the \$100 scholarship will be applied to your bill. (You will be contacted if you're a winner!)**

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*Please be prepared to give the following information by phone when you call Guest Services to register: (920.294.3323)*

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- Full Name and Nickname for name badge
- Billing Address
- Phone and Email (for conference news and updates)
- Are you a first time attendee to this conference? (registration date)
- Roommate(s) Names
- Are you attending Full Track, Short Track or as a Commuter?

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**What to Bring:**

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- Personal hygiene items, hairdryer, comfortable clothes and shoes.
- Water bottle, camera, journal or notebook, pens, (optional) laptop
- (Optional) Copies of your writing for the peer to peer review and contest (see Tuesday night)
- (Optional) Your autographed books to sell; money to buy others' materials; books to swap



## The 68<sup>th</sup> GREEN LAKE Christian Writers' CONFERENCE

# SCHEDULE

Lodging and Meetings will be in KERN LODGE. Free parking is available. General Sessions, Workshops & Meeting Rooms will be announced on-site. This preliminary schedule may be adjusted.

### Sunday, AUGUST 14

- 3:00 p.m. Check-in & Registration at the Kraft Welcome Centre (Guest Services/Front Desk) to receive conference information and keys for lodging
- 4:00 p.m. *OPTIONAL:* Meet & Greet other writers and conferees
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner - in the main dining room at the Kraft Centre; (look for signs on tables to sit together)
- 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Evening Gathering (Kern Lodge):  
 Announcements, Vespers & Worship Music  
 Speaker: Susan Baganz, "The Heart of a Writer"  
 Fellowship Time and Writers' Bookshop: Displays to browse, book signings, sales

### Monday, AUGUST 15

- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast in Kraft Centre's main dining room (look for signs on tables to sit together)
- 8:45 - 10:15 a.m. Morning Gathering:  
 Announcements, Devotions & Worship  
 Speaker: Wendy Walters, "How to Write a Book People Want to Read!"  
 Q&A session to help equip you for the next leg of your writing journey
- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Session One (Workshops vary in length)  
 Workshop 1 with Sandra Wimpelberg, "Taming the Gaps, Ruts, Blocks and Other 'Stuck' Places!"  
 Workshop 2 with Lin Johnson, "Finding Time to Write"  
 Workshop 3 with Susan Baganz, "Skittles and Editing"  
 Workshop 4 with Wendy Walters, "How to Leverage Your Published Book to Increase & Expand Your Influence (part 1)"
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch--Kraft Centre's main dining room
- 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Free Time, Writing Time, Discover prayerful inspiration on the GLCC grounds
- 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. *OPTIONAL:* prearranged one-on-one appointments: Lin Johnson, Susan Baganz
- 3:00 – 5pm *OPTIONAL:* Explore nearby towns: Princeton, Green Lake, Berlin, or Ripon.
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner in Kraft Centre's main dining room
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. *OPTIONAL:* Interactive/Creative Activity: Fish Bowl Writers Discussion
- 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Large Group Gathering:  
 Vespers and Worship  
 Speaker: Wendy Walters, "Make Your Mark!"  
 Fellowship Time and Writers' Bookshop: Displays to browse, book signings, sales

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:45-10:15 a.m. Large Group Gathering:  
Announcements; Devotions & Worship with Karen Gygax-Rodriguez  
Speaker: Lin Johnson, "How to Please an Editor"
- 10:30 - 12 noon Session Two  
Workshop 1 with Sandra Wimpelberg, "Taming the Gaps, Ruts, Blocks and Other 'Stuck' Places!"  
Workshop 2 with Susan Baganz, "Spectacular Starts and Fantastic Finishes"  
Workshop 3 with Wendy Walters, "How to Leverage Your Published Book to Increase & Expand Your Influence (part 2)"  
OPTIONAL: prearranged one-on-one appointments: Lin Johnson
- 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Free Time, Writing Time, Discover prayerful inspiration on the GLCC grounds
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. OPTIONAL: Peer to Peer Writers: Contest
- 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Evening Gathering: Vespers & Worship with Karen Gygax-Rodriguez  
Speaker: Susan Baganz, "What God taught me when I thought I was having fun!"  
Fellowship Time and Writers' Bookshop: Displays to browse, book signings, sales

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:45 -10:30 a.m. Announcements, Devotions & Worship with Karen Gygax-Rodriguez
- 9:15 – 10:45 a.m. Large Group Discussion - *Where do we go from here: GL Christian Writers Conference*
- 11 a.m. – 12 noon Session Three  
Workshop 1 with Lin Johnson, "Selling What You Write"  
Workshop 2 with Kris Wood, "Spiritual Milestones"  
OPTIONAL: prearranged one-on-one appointments: Sandra Wimpelberg
- 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Pre-arranged one-on-one appointments with peers or instructors to prepare for SHOWCASE
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Free Time, Writing Time, Prayer Time, Polish Your Showcase Presentation
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Evening Gathering: Celebration of WRITERS' SHOWCASE  
Fellowship Time and Writers' Bookshop: Final opportunity to purchase books, get your purchases autographed (authors will pack up their displays at end of evening)

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:45 - 10 a.m. Prayer Gathering & Worship with Karen Gygax-Rodriguez
- 10:00 a.m. Turn in GL Christian Writers Conference evaluations to Kris Wood.  
Check out of lodging; turn in keys and GLCC lodging & meals evaluations  
*You may stay on the grounds and enjoy GLCC as long as you like.*
- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Faculty Meeting in Ollie's

**We are so grateful you're coming to this conference! Watch for information about next year's conference online:  
[www.glcc.org](http://www.glcc.org) or contact Kris Wood. ([KrisWood@glcc.org](mailto:KrisWood@glcc.org))**