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**Conference Objectives**

- Marlene Bagnull, Director, Greater Philadelphia Christian Writers Conference (GPCWC) believes God is raising up an army of Christians to “Write His Answer” to the critical needs facing our nation and the world.
- Regardless of what a person writes or has ever written, we want to equip him or her to write about a God who is real, reachable, and changes lives.

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**God's People Want to Know**

- Does the Bible address contemporary issues?
- Does the Bible provide solutions?
- Can Christian writers present Biblical alternatives?
- Can we make change imaginable and urgent?
- Has Jesus given the best answer to complex matters?

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**Issues Surround Us**

**Does the Christian Writer Engage?**

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**America at the Crossroads**

**The American Dream???**

**LEFT?**

- Remove God + government
- Understand enemies
- Open borders
- Generation – Socialism
- Tolerance (except for)

**RIGHT?**

- Restore traditional values
- Name & fight enemies
- Control borders
- Economic freedom
- Religious liberty

**Are These Our Choices? Is There Another Way?**

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**American Culture & Faith Institute  
2015 Research Findings (George Barna)  
“God’s People Want to Know”**

- Does the Bible Address Contemporary Issues?
- More Than 3,000 Christians Surveyed
- 92% Want Biblical Teaching – 22 Issues
- Top 5:
  1. Abortion – 91%
  2. Religious Persecution/Liberty – 86%
  3. Poverty – 85%
  4. Cultural Restoration – 83%
  5. Sexual Identity – 82%
- Pastors Surveyed Address 1 & 2 Above but Prefer to Teach Theologically Safe & Predictable Topics

**How Can Christian Writers Help?**

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**Introduce New Ideas / Solutions**

**The American Dream???**

**LEFT?** **RIGHT?**

**Is There another Direction?**

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**Make Responsibility Fashionable**

- Know Your Audience
- Believers, Seekers, Rejecters, or Mix?
- Has God Burned an Issue into Your Heart?
- Tell Your Story – Understand:
  - Your Anecdotal Testimony of God Working:
    - > Salvation
    - > Restored Relationships
    - > Power of Forgiveness
    - > Answered Prayers
    - > Vision for Future
- Back Your Story and Burning Issue with Evidence
- Keep It Simple – The Gospel Based on Evidence

**His Story = His Answer**

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**Sample Topic List**

1. Strengthen Families
2. Insist on Learning
3. Renew a Common Culture
4. Expand Charity
5. Expect More of Churches
6. Revive Neighborliness and Civic Duty
7. Rebuild Our Defenses
8. Resist Over-Government
9. Guard US Sovereignty
10. Protect Freedom of Conscience

**Responsibility Movement – Heal Our Land**

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### Example Discussion Topics

- [Masterpiece Cake Shop](#) (SCOUS vs. SCOCAN), or
- Trump opening our Embassy in Jerusalem, or
- Trump's summit with NOKO, or
- Immigration Reform

Pick One & Brainstorm

**Biblical Worldview Application?**

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### Tips & Examples

- Is Your Issue a Hot News Topic or Controversial?
- If so, Understand Recent Developments.
- Can You Touch the Emotional Core of Another?
- Are You a Subject Matter Expert?
- Willing to Confront Lies, False Narratives, Stereotypes?

**Clarity, Conviction & Courage**

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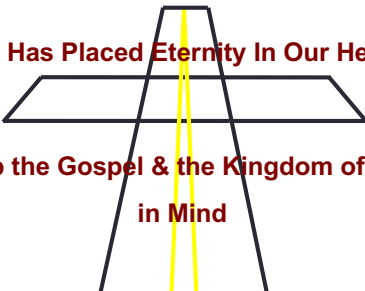
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### Seek His Answer – His Vision

God Has Placed Eternity In Our Hearts

Keep the Gospel & the Kingdom of God  
in Mind



**Write Love for God & Others**

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### Take Away

- ◇The World Has No Answers
- ◇Ask, Knock, Seek His Answers
- ◇Introduce His Ideas, Solutions (not problems)
- ◇Focus Message on His Gospel – Love for Others
- ◇He Demonstrated His Love – Do Likewise

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### Summary

- Prepare Christian Writers to Write His Solutions to the Problems Surrounding Us.
- Write about the One True Living God Who is Real, Reachable, and Changes Lives.



**Write His Answer with Clarity, Conviction & Courage**

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