



# Kentucky Christian Writers Conference

## 2017 Panel Participants

### Fiction and Nonfiction Panel



**Hallee Bridgeman**, with over half a million sales, Hallee is a best-selling Christian author who writes action-packed romantic suspense focusing on realistic characters who face real world problems. Her work has been described as everything from refreshing to heart-stopping exciting and edgy. Hallee loves coffee, campy action movies, and

regular date nights with her husband. Above all else, she loves God with all of her heart, soul, mind, and strength; has been redeemed by the blood of Christ; and relies on the presence of the Holy Spirit to guide her.

Visit Hallee at <http://www.halleebridgeman.com>.



**Shirley Crowder**, is a missionary kid (MK) who was born in Nigeria, West Africa. She has a passion for disciple-making and loves to share about her spiritual children who are scattered across the world serving the Lord. She is a biblical counselor; a regular guest on

"Think on These Things," a Birmingham Alabama radio/TV program for women; and a freelance writer. Shirley is commissioned by, and serves on the national Advisory Committee for, The Addiction Connection. She authored "Study Guide on Prayer—A Companion to Prayer: It's Not About You"; co-authored a seasonal devotional book "Glimpses of the Savior"; co-authored the chapter, "Paul and Women in Ministry" in the book "Paul the Counselor" published by Focus Publishing; and has several articles which have appeared in "The Gadsden Times" Faith section's Paper Pulpit. Visit Shirley's blog at

<http://www.throughthelensofscripture.com/>.



**Brandilyn Collins**, is a best-selling author of nearly 30 books. She is best known for her Seatbelt Suspense®-fast-paced, character-driven suspense with myriad twists and an interwoven thread of faith. She also writes insightful contemporary novels, often laced with humor.

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**Harriet E. Michael**, is a prolific non-fiction writer. Since she began writing in 2010, she has had well over a hundred devotions, articles, and anthologies published in various magazines and sites with more contracted for publication in the future. Her work has appeared in

publications by *Lifeway*, *Focus on the Family*, *Standard Publishing*, *American Life League*, *Smyth and Helwys Publishing*, *The Upper Room*, *Judson Press*, *The Pentecostal Publishing House*, *David C. Cook Company*, *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, *Bethany House*, and more. Her 1st non-fiction book, "Prayer: It's Not About You" is set for release in September by Pix-N-Pens Publishing. You can follow her on her website which is currently under construction but should be up soon:

[www.harrietemichael.blogspot.com](http://www.harrietemichael.blogspot.com). Or her Facebook

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**Cara C. Putman**, JD MBA, the award-winning author of 24 books, graduated high school at 16, college at 20, and completed her law degree at 27. *FIRST for Women* magazine called *Shadowed by Grace* “captivating” and a “novel with ‘the works.’” Cara is active at her church and a

full-time lecturer on business and employment law to graduate students at Purdue University’s Krannert School of Management. Putman also practices law and is a second-generation homeschooling mom. She serves on the executive board of American Christian Fiction Writers (ACFW), an organization she has served in various roles since 2007. She lives with her husband and four children in Indiana.

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**Sara Turnquist**, a native of Middle Tennessee where she currently resides, Sara Turnquist enjoys reading and writing clean Historical Romance. She is the author of *The Lady Bornekova*, *The General’s Wife*, and *Hope in Cripple Creek* (through Clean Reads) and *Off to War* (a venture in self-publishing). Sara is a member of ACFW.

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### Editor and Agent Panel



**Deb Haggerty, with Elk Lake Publishing**

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Positive." Elk Lake has more than fifty authors and in excess of one hundred books in print. We publish all genres of Christian literature from children's books to middle-grade to young adult to mystery, romance, historical, science fiction, and fantasy to nonfiction books with an unusual twist.

#### **APPOINTMENT INFORMATION:**

Deb is happy to meet with prospective authors at any stage of their journey, but to be seriously considered for publication, authors must have a completed manuscript. Upon appointment, please bring a one-sheet, 1-2 page synopsis, and the first three chapters of your completed manuscript. Without a completed manuscript, pre-published authors will not be asked to submit anything but may use the appointment time to practice their pitch and ask questions. Proposals from previously published authors should include publisher(s) and sales of previous titles.

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**Stephanie Taylor, with Clean Reads publishing company**  
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