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The greatest gift is the passion for reading.

It is cheap,
 it consoles,
 it distracts,
 it excites."

Elizabeth Hardwick

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### COMING SOON TO THE LIBRARY

Two children's books originally read during the children's story: **God's Dream** by Desmond Tutu and **Fox Walked Alone** by Barbara Reid.

**Hope Indeed! Remarkable Stories of Peacemakers** by Gerald Shenk is "a collection of stories of ordinary people behaving with extraordinary hope", stories of people "who subvert vengeance with kindness".

Left to Tell - Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust by Immaculie Ilibaoiz who gives a first hand account of survival during 91 terrifying days. The story of her faith and connection to God during the ordeal is uplifting and inspiring.

The Jesus Driven Life by Michael Hardin. Ted Grimsrud says the author asks "What would it mean for our life in the world were we truly to place the Jesus of the Gospels at the center?" The book gives the answer.

• War, Peace and Social Conscience, a biography of Guy Hershberger by Theron Schlabach showing how Hershberger helped Christians live their faith in a world of war and injustice and how his message still applies today in biblical peacemaking.

• Through Fire and Water: An Overview of Mennonite History - Revised Edition by Loewen and Nolt. "The strengths of [this] revised edition are found in its readability, integrity and breadth."

• Surviving One Bad Year: Seven Spiritual Strategies to Lead You to a New Beginning by Nancie Carmichael. Watch for a review in the Women's Focus in December

• Whatever Happened to Dinner: Recipes and Reflections for Family Mealtimes. Author Melodie Davis invites people to eat together in a culture that often pulls us apart. Learn ways to enhance family mealtimes by making them more satisfying and more meaningful.

• Saving the Seasons: How to Can, Freeze or Dry Almost Anything shows through clear instruction, step by step pictures and user-friendly recipes how to preserve food to enjoy all year long.

 At Powerline and Diamond Hill. Lee Snyder shares the story of her remarkable journey from farm girl in Harrisburg, Oregon to the halls of academe. She writes openly of some of her struggles in that journey.

• **Fields of Grace** by Kim Vogel Sawyer tells in this fiction work of the Vogts of Russia leaving Russia for the plains of Kansas. Reinhardt dies aboard ship leaving the family to be cared for by a family friend.

• **Eva's Story** by Eva Schloss, the stepsister of Anne Frank who survived imprisonment in Auschwitz. This story picks up where Anne's diary ends.



The moment we begin to fear the opinions of others

and hesitate to tell the truth that is in us,

and from motives of policy
are silent when we should speak,
the divine floods of light and life flow no longer In our souls.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Speech to the National Woman Suffrage Association 1890



Hidden in this puzzle is the title of two books in our library that have the same title but written by two different authors.

Can you find it?
Do you know who
the authors are?



#### **BOOK REVIEW**

Empowering the Patient by Dr. Glenn E. Miller

This is a book written by a Mennonite doctor in which he provides helpful ways to reduce your cost of health-care and improve its quality. He emphasizes the need for developing a working relationship with your doctor to make that happen. In his introduction, Dr. Miller gives the example of a man who when asked the 'why' of his exam replied "I don't know why" and that he 'clams' up when with the doctor. The book gives good advice on how to actively participate with your doctor in making health care decisions.

Through the 'power of stories' Dr. Miller reminds the reader of the importance of personal choices. He reflects on the principles that guided him as a doctor and as a human being. He shares from his varied experiences in his practice in the U.S. and in other countries including Haiti, Egypt and India. He was acquainted with many dedicated people including Mother Teresa.

In Part 1 Dr. Miller follows each case study with the patient's point of view, the doctor's point of view and practical suggestions related to that case such as how to reduce the cost of prescription drugs, what to do about chronic diseases and getting a second opinion.

In Part 2 he shares personal stories of his experiences in the U.S. and in the other countries where he served.

Part 3 deals with specific healthcare issues: concerns about prescription drugs and their costs, end of life issues and developing one's own medical summary. The latter includes a sample form you can use for your own record to carry with you in case of an emergency.

I think your time will be well spent reading this book in the current concerns about healthcare issues.

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