

Gayle C. Ottemiller

Author Bio



Born with two spinal deformities, Gayle Ottemiller spent most of her life suffering physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. At age 44, Gayle met Christian poet, Thomas John Carlyle. Shortly after reading his books, Gayle recognized and experienced the freedom and joy found in a relationship with Jesus Christ—even in the midst of suffering. For 28 years Gayle worked for the New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, assisting developmentally disabled adults. Now retired, Gayle travels and speaks to local churches and groups in Central New York. She enjoys writing, photography, calligraphy, and the German craft of Scherenschnitte. Gayle currently resides in Cicero, New York. Her book, *Faith Lifts* (WinePress Publishing, 2010) offers a glimpse of her incredible journey of faith, wholeness, and freedom in Jesus Christ.

Book Recap

Faith Lifts: This collection of poems, photos, and accompanying music CD are designed to give encouragement to the spirit, hope to the heart, and revive your faith to take another step. Author Gayle Ottemiller draws on the tangible, yet simple demonstrations of God's love all around us. Follow her example: take time to look for his hand in your everyday life, and then step out in faith, knowing that God holds it all in his very capable hands.

Interview Questions:

1. As a writer, how do you incorporate poetry with your Christian faith?
2. When and why did you start writing poetry?
3. As a poet, where do you find inspiration to write?
4. What are some of the challenges you have faced in your life?
5. What or who changed your thinking about God and suffering?
6. Who has influenced your writing the most and who are some of your favorite authors?
7. How has your writing journey changed your Christian walk and vice versa?
8. Where was your favorite poem and/or photograph created?
9. What are some of the messages or themes in *Faith Lifts*?
10. What do you hope the reader will take away from this book?

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