

## Speaker Information for our 2007-2008 OCACW year

- Sept. 8, 2007**      **Keynote Topic:** *“What Readers Need from Christian Writers”*  
**Speaker:** **Dr. Jeanetta R. Chrystie** – author, poet, & college professor.  
Learn 5 key factors to reaching readers through Christian writing.
- Oct. 13, 2007**      **Keynote Topic:** *“Testimony, plus the Art and Craft of Writing Plays”*  
**Speaker:** **Ron Boutwell** – founder, playwright, and Director of **Stained Glass Theatre in Ozark, MO.** Learn great rules of playwriting.
- Nov. 10, 2007**      **Keynote Topic:** *“Editing Your Work & 7 ‘deadly’ writing sins”*  
**Speaker:** **John Maempa** – a former editor at Gospel Publishing House, he now serves as the Director of the National Prayer Center in Springfield, MO. Learn to edit your writing through examples & practice.
- Dec. 8, 2007**      **Our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Christmas Readings Meeting:** sign up early & reserve your place on the program to read your Christmas-themed poetry, short fiction, non-fiction article, humor piece, or devotion.
- Jan. 12, 2008**      **Our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual “Lightning Writing” Meeting:** bring your writing instruments of choice, select from our provided set of “writing idea” starters, spend 45 minutes writing in your favorite style or genre, then share with everyone.
- Feb. 9, 2008**      **Keynote Topic:** **Song Writing**  
**Speaker:** **Rich Langston, songwriter, music minister**  
Rich Langston will share his songwriting tips and a few original songs. He is the Minister of Music & Senior Adults at Hopedale Baptist Church.
- Mar. 8, 2008**      **Keynote Topic:** **Finding A Market for Your Material**  
**Speaker:** **Ann Floyd, retired magazine editor**  
Ann Floyd enjoyed a long career as an associate editor at GPH. She says, “Most of my career was as editor of a denominational magazine. My joy was to work with aspiring writers and see them published for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.”
- Apr. 12, 2008**      **Keynote Topic:** **Planning A Writer’s Web Site**  
**Speaker:** **Keith Chrystie, OCACW Webmaster**  
Keith Chrystie taught college Web Design courses in the Seattle Community College System for 7 years, he has been building professional web sites since the mid 1990s, and serves as Webmaster for several web sites—including our Ozarks Chapter of American Christian Writers.
- May 10, 2008**      **Keynote Topic:** **Writing Sunday School Materials - POSTPONED**  
**Speaker:** **Nan Olmstead, writer/pastor’s wife – due to a death in family**  
**Substitute:** **Jeanetta Chrystie: From Devotions to Books--Writing a Spiritual Memoir** (this is NOT about autobiographies).  
✓ Learn about “snapshot” writing from your personal experiences.  
✓ Snapshot writing includes: short devotions, family stories to record for posterity, and book-length stories of life lessons learned.