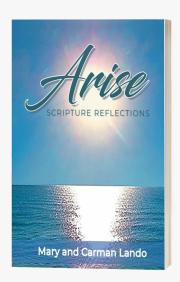


## Inks and Bindings Features Five Reads Fostering Faith and Healing at the 2024 LA Times Festival of Books

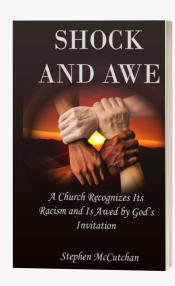
Diverse array of books set to engage and inspire attendees at the nation's biggest annual literary gathering.

YORBA LINDA, CA, UNITED STATES, April 17, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ --Inks and Bindings, a self-publishing company nestled in the heart of California, takes center stage at the upcoming Los Angeles Times Festival of Books. Set to unfold on April 20–21, 2024, at the University of Southern California campus, this festival stands as a beacon for bibliophiles across the nation. This year's festival, Inks and Bindings, promises to offer a diverse selection of literary treasures, each waiting to be discovered by eager readers. Among these literary gems, five remarkable books with profound spiritual narratives are poised to capture the imagination and touch the hearts of festival goers, inviting them on a journey of introspection and inspiration.

Carman Lando, founder of Spirit-Fire Ministry, announces the release of "Arise Scripture Reflections". This book blends Scripture with personal reflections and intimate photos, guiding readers on a journey of spiritual growth. Since 1990, Spirit-Fire Ministry, led by Carman and his wife



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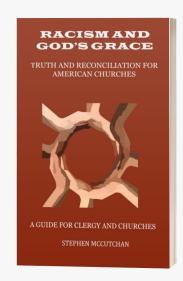
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Mary, has spread God's love through music and Scripture, impacting lives across parishes and conferences.

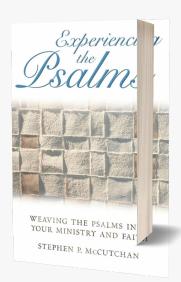
"Arise Scripture Reflections" by Carman and Mary encapsulates their lifelong journey of faith, intertwining personal anecdotes, reflections, and selected scriptures. It serves as a guide for readers to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, experiencing the transformative power of God's Word. Carman shares, "As we navigate life's journey, we are continuously enriched by God's love." This heartfelt work aims to extend faith to a broader audience, inspiring spiritual growth and renewal, making it essential for believers and seekers alike.

Stephen P. McCutchan's book, "Shock and Awe: A Church Recognizes Its Racism and is Awed by God's Invitation", offers Christians a roadmap to confront racism within the church, transcending denial and guilt. Drawing on the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission, McCutchan promotes redemptive faith, emphasizing confession, forgiveness, and healing for fractured communities.

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"Racism and God's Grace: Truth and Reconciliation for American Churches"

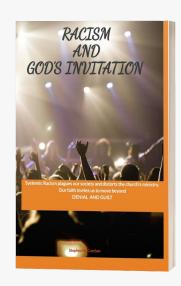


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guilt to tackle racism in the church effectively. In his new book, he gives practical advice on how to show God's love and create a diverse community. Drawing from the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission, McCutchan urges Christians to have faith that can fix past mistakes and bring healing. "Shock and Awe: A Church Recognizes Its Racism and is Awed by God's Invitation" offers clear ways for people and church groups to follow Jesus' example of making peace and embracing everyone's differences. It encourages Christians to trust God as they work to make their communities more inclusive and accepting.

A dozen churches headline by moving beyond racial division, offering hope for reconciliation. Stephen McCutchan's "Racism and God's Grace: Truth and Reconciliation for American Churches" challenges church roles in confronting racial injustice, posing critical questions amid tension. Despite concerns, McCutchan provides specific steps for positive and creative antiracism efforts, fostering healing within communities.

"Racism and God's Grace: Truth and Reconciliation for American Churches" offers churches a blueprint for partnering with multi-ethnic congregations to showcase racial



"Racism and God's Invitation: A Christian Approach to Systemic Racism"

healing, while also enriching their personal faith and spiritual depth. By taking these steps, churches can illustrate to society that there is a viable route to mend societal divides and maintain trust in God's supremacy over racism. Utilizing insights from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of South Africa and biblical teachings on confession and forgiveness, McCutchan guides churches in implementing practices that align with God's vision of universal reconciliation. Through the practice of active listening, churches can embody hope in a fractured world and foster a deeper sense of faith among believers.

Stephen P. McCutchan, drawing on over thirty years of pastoral experience, presents "Experiencing the Psalms: Weaving the Psalms into Your Ministry and Faith", offering practical guidance for integrating these ancient texts into church life. This groundbreaking book provides methods for incorporating the Psalms into liturgical practices and sermons, as well as innovative approaches for pastoral care, emphasizing their transformative role in worship and spiritual growth.

"Experiencing the Psalms: Weaving the Psalms into Your Ministry and Faith" tackles the challenge of the Psalms' at times harsh language, proposing that it may unlock believers' ability to engage fully in worship. This book serves as a vital resource for congregations seeking to enhance their spiritual language and strengthen their bond with God by bridging spirituality with everyday life. McCutchan's insights provide clergy with an effective approach to supporting their congregants through life's challenges and joys. Essential for clergy and lay leaders dedicated to cultivating a spiritually vibrant community, this book offers valuable guidance for enriching church life.

Stephen McCutchan pens yet another enlightening book, "Racism and God's Invitation: A

Christian Approach to Systemic Racism", urging Christians to confront systemic racism by transcending denial and overwhelming guilt. Drawing inspiration from the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission, McCutchan advocates for the healing power of confession and forgiveness to mend racial rifts and foster societal healing.

McCutchan suggests that to effectively tackle racism within the church, one must move beyond denial and guilt. His book, "Racism and God's Invitation: A Christian Approach to Systemic Racism" encourages individuals to embrace a faith that leads to redemption, urging us to confront our past honestly and work towards reconciliation. By promoting the concepts of admitting wrongdoing and granting forgiveness, McCutchan demonstrates how all churches, regardless of their racial backgrounds, can engage in open dialogue and heal together. This significant book provides clear steps for Christians to exemplify God's love, akin to the teachings of Jesus. McCutchan's insights are invaluable for individuals or groups seeking to combat racism and foster unity within their communities.

Readers are set for an amazing experience as these five captivating books come together at the <u>2024 Los Angeles Times Festival of Books</u>! These five book titles and many more are available to be explored at booth number 182, located in the Gold Zone area of the campus. Don't miss out on discovering more exciting reads presented by Inks and Bindings at this special event—check out their website at <a href="https://inksandbindings.com/">https://inksandbindings.com/</a> for a sneak peek!

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