

Kaukauna Area Speaker Has Story Published

Local writer and speaker Tricia Propson has recently added author to her resume. Her true story entitled *Flowers From God* was published in an anthology of short stories by Guideposts Publishing. Guideposts is a non-profit organization that reaches millions of readers everyday with books and magazines that encourage and uplift the human spirit. Propson's very personal account of her experience at her mother's death bed is one of many inspiring stories in their book entitled *The Healing Touch*.

"My mother always dreamed of me becoming an author. She did not live to see it but it is fitting that the first story I published was about her," Propson said.

Propson's dream of becoming an author and speaker is being realized as the demand for her speaking and writing services to youth and parents grows.

"My relationship with my parents was strained at a young age. I have spent a lifetime recovering and learning from those painful relationships," she says.

This story published for Guideposts tells of her journey to share her mother's final days and the struggle that came from knowing she was not welcome there.

"My mother did not love me, at least not in a way that could be understood. The story will resonate with a lot of people. There are many people like me who have been unloved. The message is simple. Even though you cannot control how others respond, choosing to love those who persecute you is always the best choice."

Flowers from God is a story of redemption that encourages hurting people to stay strong and choose to love in the face of hatred. Propson strives to see people restored in relationship to one another and loves to write stories with a message of connection and redemption. In her work as a speaker, she uses her tragic past to equip and encourage others. Her passion is to help parents and teens connect with one another and find common ground. Knowing how painful damaged relationships between parents and children can be, she uses real-life stories from her own youth to help parents and children build bridges and get healthy conversations started.

For more information about Tricia Propson, you can visit www.cornerstonecomm.org.