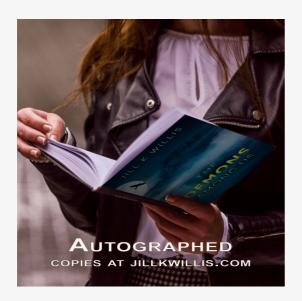


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October 2021 Newsletter



"The Demons Among Us" is online!

I'm thrilled to announce that
Redemption Press has posted *The*Demons Among Us to its website.
Amazon and Barnes & Noble should
follow suit within a week. I'd like to
thank my five member prayer team—
Karen Allen, Susan Kendrick, Allyson
Lewis, Susan Simpson, and Carol
Wrape—for lifting me up through the
entire publishing process. Also, I truly

appreciate all who were not on the official team, but prayed for me anyway. You kept me sane. And for that, my husband is grateful. I'd like to extend my gratitude to my 30-member launch team who is hard at work reading advance copies of the novel, crafting reviews, and helping with promotion. May God bless you for the time you spend serving Him through this project.

October 10 - 4 p.m. EDT

Online Launch Party!

I've rescheduled *The Demons Among Us* online launch party from October 23 to **October 10 at 4 p.m. EDT.** It will now be on Zoom. If you did not receive an Evite invitation, please <u>email me</u>, and I'll zip one to you with the access info. To celebrate, I'll read the book's first chapter and talk about my publishing journey. You can ask me questions and win giveaways, including Amazon gift cards.



Pre-order personalized autographed copies of *The*

Demons Among Us on my website and receive the bookmark in the photo. Its back features a QR code that teens can scan to access categorized scriptures for when demons invade their lives.

NEED A SPEAKER?

I'd love to speak to your group



While *The Demons Among Us* dramatizes spiritual warfare with a supernatural flare, our teens today are battling very real demons in their day-to-day lives. I'd love to share the important messages portrayed in this story with both teens and adults in-person or online. I'm happy to customize a presentation or deliver one listed below.

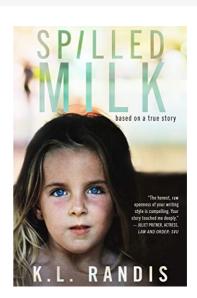
- Learning to trust God when life doesn't make sense
- Tips for better communication between parents and teens
- Helping teens build self confidence

Drop me an <u>email</u> if you'd like me to speak at no cost to your youth or adult group.

BOOK REVIEW

Spilled Milk

This is one of the most disturbing books I've ever read, on par with Tara Westover's shocking novel, *Educated*. My 17-year-old niece recommended I read it, and I'm glad I did. Kelly Randis, writing under the pen name of K.L. Randis, reveals her abusive childhood in this semi-autobiography. Using the fictitious name of Brooke Nolan, she traces her life from age six to present day, not pulling any punches about the mistreatment she suffered from both parents. It's an eye-opener. According to



Amazon, *Spilled Milk* is now used by some colleges and high schools to point out the failures of our justice system. It's a hard read, but I recommend it to older teens and adults. If anything, it's a lesson in speaking up about abuse sooner than later.

Check out all the young adult book reviews on my website.



A FUN FACT ABOUT ME

I Love Football!

My son played football his last three years in high school. Hubby and I would watch him play on Friday nights, then we'd cheer the University of Georgia Bulldogs on Saturdays, and on Sundays we'd bite our nails during Atlanta Falcons games. I LOVED those

years—three days of football every week for at least 10 weeks. These days, you'll still find us on the second row, 17-yard line alumni side, at Sanford Stadium during home games. *Go Dawgs!*

Active vs Passive Voice

Great authors feature a variety of sentence structures in their work; but if you read closely, you'll notice they write most sentences in active voice where the subject of the sentence performs the action. In passive voice, the subject receives the action. Active voice gets to the point, streamlines sentences, and creates excitement. When editing, keep an eye out for the



word, "was." When you see one, try flipping the sentence to eliminate it.

Examples:

Passive: The Demons Among Us was published by Redemption Press.

Active: Redemption Press published The Demons Among Us.

Passive: Miriam was hit by the baseball.

Active: The baseball hit Miriam.



My most popular September blog:

Deep Breaths

I'd love to send you one of my short stories as a gift for subscribing to my blog. Simply complete the short form in my website footer, and I'll email you a PDF of The Snake Slinger, a prequel to The Demons Among Us.

Email me at jill@jillkwillis.com, and add me to your contact list.

In case you missed the book trailer for "The Demons Among Us"...

VIEW

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