

A few bios you could use in a flyer, brochure, or introduction.(They might also help with student reports.)

JOYCE MOYER HOSTETTER

Joyce Moyer Hostetter lives right where many of her characters do—in rural North Carolina. She’s always on the lookout—hoping to bump into them. In the absence of a time machine that would take her to the 1940’s she immerses herself in research to discover what their world was like. Her book, BLUE won the International Reading Association Award, The NC Juvenile Literature Award, and Parent’s Choice Silver Honor. It is used widely in North Carolina schools. AIM is a prequel to BLUE. COMFORT is a sequel. Drive, is the story of twin sisters finding separate identities amidst fierce personal competition. EQUAL, a civil rights story, will be released in May of 2021.

HEALING WATER, set in Hawaii’s leprosy settlement is available via E-book.

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When Joyce Moyer Hostetter was in seventh grade, a teacher noticed her flair for words and predicted she’d become a writer. Later Joyce attended Lenoir Rhyne University where she earned her degree in Early Childhood Education. Since then, she’s worked with children in public school, a Christian camp, and homeschool but eventually the urge to write was irresistible.

She now writes historical fiction for middle graders. Joyce’s award winning novel, BLUE retells the story of North Carolina’s 1944 polio epidemic. The sequel, COMFORT explores the after-effects of polio and war. AIM, a prequel to Blue and Comfort is the story

of a teen figuring out life in the wake of his father's death. DRIVE is the story of twin sisters exploring separate identities in the midst of fierce personal competition. EQUAL, a civil rights story, will be published in May of 2021.

HEALING WATER is the story of a 13 year-old boy banished to Hawaii's leprosy settlement in 1869.

Classrooms across North Carolina use her books and Joyce often visits schools to talk about writing, researching, and getting published. She also co-publishes TALKING STORY, a newsletter for educators about reading and writing. Joyce and her husband, Chuck, live near Hickory, NC where they enjoy their adult children and lots of grandchildren. When she's not writing or speaking she is often researching. She loves anything that has a history including furniture, clothes, and books.

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