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LORNA DUECK RECEIVES CANADIAN CHRISTIAN WRITING AWARD

BURLINGTON, Ontario (June 13, 2008)—When Canadian writers who are Christian gathered recently to honour the best of their published works in 2007, Lorna Dueck's writing received a first place award.

The Word Guild's Canadian Christian Writing Awards gala was held June 11, 2008 at the World Vision Auditorium in Mississauga, Ontario. The black tie event attracted Canadian writers, editors and publishers from across the country, and recognized the most outstanding work published in 30 categories during the previous calendar year by Canadian authors who are Christian.

Lorna's column, "Mother Teresa: We should all have such doubts" was published in *The Globe and Mail*, September 5, 2007. Shortlisted in the Article-General Readership category (for articles that explain or encourage faith for mainstream readers), Lorna's work tied for first place with the column "Sacred Heritage" by Jennifer Green, which was published in the *Ottawa Citizen*.

Journalist Thomas Froese of Ancaster, Ontario received two awards of merit in the category, for columns published in *The New Vision Uganda*, and the *Hamilton Spectator*.

"Telling the stories of God's work in our lives has been an amazing privilege," commented Dueck upon learning of the award. "This award is the result of a beautiful group of sponsors and a staff team who work hard in research, resources, ideas and love.

"At the end of all that synergy, I get to write about the beauty of our God, who is a relentless communicator with the human race."

Other notable winners of the evening included L'Arche founder Jean Vanier, *The Shack* author William P. Young, Meeting House teaching pastor Bruxy Cavey, author and pastor Mark Buchanan and theologian James A. Beverley.

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