



Vernet Clemons Nettles, EdD

Educator - Author - Speaker



About The Author

Vernet Clemons Nettles, Ed.D. is a parent, educator, and poet. Born in Mobile, AL, she currently resides in Montgomery, AL. Dr. Nettles has served in various capacities of church service, including Youth Department advisor, Sunday school and Bible Study teacher, and Director of Christian Education.

Since 2014, she has shared daily original prayers on her website *Another Day's Journey* - www.vcndailypray.com. The scriptures and prayers focus on spiritual growth and connecting with God.

Professionally, Dr. Nettles works in the Montgomery Public Schools System and as an adjunct instructor for a local university. She has worked in the Santa Rosa County, FL and Mobile, AL school districts. She has also worked in the Alabama State Department of Education. Having worked in education since 1990, Dr. Nettles has focused her career on facilitating services for underserved student populations and those considered less likely to succeed. Having served as a teacher, leader, and administrator, Dr. Nettles was particularly delighted in 2020 to celebrate 30 years in the profession.

Dr. Nettles enjoys seeking Christ, researching the Word of God, and relishing in the a-ha moments of God's promises. Believing that the journey ebbs and flows, she has allowed her life lessons – her hills and valleys – to shape her Christian walk. Over the years, Dr. Nettles has often said that despite all, life is wonderful and that she “lives in the overflow, in the saucer of life.” She hopes to inspire others to trust, believe, and grow in God's grace through the sharing of her devotions, prayers, and poetry.

Book Titles

- Walking with Grace – A 2021 Devotional Planner (2020)
- Praise, Pray, and Be Encouraged – A 21-day devotional journey (2020)
- UnSpoken Words: Life's Heartfelt Whispers – A Poetry Collection (2020)
- Moments of Grace – A 2020 Devotional Planner (2019)
- Why Should I Be Bound? Musings on a Journey with God – A 30-day devotional (2019)- Large Print edition
- Why Should I Be Bound? Musings on a Journey with God – A 30-day devotional (2018)

FAQ

1. Where are you from? Where do you live now?

I was born in Mobile, AL and graduated from John Shaw High School. After receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree from Xavier University of Louisiana, I returned to work in the Mobile County Public School System until I moved to Montgomery, AL. Over the course of my career, I have acquired additional degrees from the University of South Alabama and Nova Southeastern University. Currently, I work in the Montgomery Public School System.

2. How long have you been writing?

I have written short poems and little stories since elementary school. I still remember taking Creative Writing classes in the summer community programs. Much of my writing is inspirational or personal life poetry.

3. How long have you been writing devotionals?

I began writing what morphed into devotionals around 2011. I began writing to remember words I heard in sermons to send encouraging text messages to my daughter or to share with my family and close friends. Somehow, God turned those notes into daily prayers, then a website, and finally a printed devotional. Writing devotionals has truly been a walk with and toward God and his grace.

4. What do you love about writing poetry?

When I write poetry, I can say all of the words in my heart, and sometimes words I didn't even know were there. I often say, "from God's mouth to my pen" because sometimes, I truly don't know how I feel until I read the written words. God has also allowed me to write memorial poems to help family and friends celebrate loved ones. It is an honor to help someone express their love in written form.

5. Have you always wanted to be in education?

I have wanted to be a teacher since elementary school. My first-grade teacher and my childhood Sunday school youth director have been my lifelong inspirations. My first-grade teacher even purchased my first book. She told me how proud she is of me. I have worked in several teaching and leadership roles in education and I have even served as a Sunday School and Youth Bible Study teacher.

6. What is the funniest part of this writing and publishing journey?

As a little girl I remember getting into trouble for writing in my daddy's bible. Now, there are notes, highlights, and scribbles in each of my bibles. I wonder how much trouble I would be in now...LOL

7. What is the best part of this writing and publishing journey?

When people tell me how much they are blessed by the written prayers. I am always amazed, and I can only think, "But, God..." and "To God be the Glory." Amen.

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