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Dear Friends

I am always amazed that in the 1,189 chapters of the Bible things always happen in different ways – the walls of Jericho fall down whilst the philistines are defeated by a Shepherd boy with the sling and a stone; the woman who bled for 12 years was healed through touching Jesus cloths whilst Jairus daughter is healed when Jesus takes her by the hand and helps her up.

God is a creative God and does things in different ways. He has put that same creativity inside us – some are skilled at growing plants and making a beautiful garden, others at painting or making music, whilst others are skilled in writing.

I have recently finished reading a theological book written by someone I know. It was interesting to hear their voice coming through the pages and fascinating as I had regular updates from them and conversations with them as they were writing the book. They say, “everyone has a book in them”.

As a Magazine committee we were recently reflecting how good it would be to have a greater variety of contributions – we have had some biographical pieces over the last year or two and are also looking at including a short story over a number of issues. If you have the gift of writing, then why not pen a contribution for this magazine? Something around 300-500 word is ideal; wholesome, uplifting and stimulating – it could be fiction, information, history, a biography or something entirely different! We can't promise to use it, and we can't promise which edition it might get used in, but who knows, it might be the first step in writing a whole book!

Every blessing

Martin King