

**Lanier Christian Academy**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading (TM & UM)**

LCA Families,

The LCA upper school English department has designed our reading list with specific goals in mind. Students will need to purchase TWO books this summer. Below is a list of rich, thought-provoking Christian biographies. Reading Christian biographies will help students identify with the hills and valleys of other Christians while helping to grow their faith.

Each student must choose **ONE** of the following biographies:

- ***Gladys Aylward: The Adventure of a Lifetime*** (ISBN 978-1576580196)
- ***David Livingstone: Africa's Trailblazer*** (ISBN 978-1576581537)
- ***Amy Carmichael: Rescuer of Precious Gems*** (ISBN 978-1576580189)
- ***Hudson Taylor: Deep in the Heart of China*** (ISBN 978-1576580165)

These books are all in the Christian Heroes series written by Janet & Geoff Benge.

**Project Details:**

Each student will create either a PowerPoint or Google Slides presentation for his/her chosen biography. Students will turn in the completed presentation to their English teacher via Google Classroom or other means communicated by the teacher. This project will be worth a Quiz grade.

Required Elements of the project:

- 1) Creativity
- 2) Biographical information – birth date, birth place, family life
- 3) Conflicts the Christian encountered
- 4) Major turning point in this person's life
- 5) How did God change him/her?
- 6) How did reading this person's story impact the student? What did the student take away from the book?
- 7) Mechanics – no spelling errors, no grammatical errors
- 8) Minimum of 5 slides, maximum of 8

The first novel that 6<sup>th</sup> grade will read at the beginning of the year is ***Shiloh***. Parents, we recommend you purchase this novel at the same time as the biography. Students will need it to start the year and can get a head start on reading if desired. ***Waiting to order the novel until after the start of school will put a student behind.***

- ***Shiloh*** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (ISBN 978-0689835827)

There are several times profanity (d\*\*n, h\*\*k) is used in the story in case you would like to block those words out of your student's copy. Any questionable topics will be discussed from a Biblical worldview together in class.