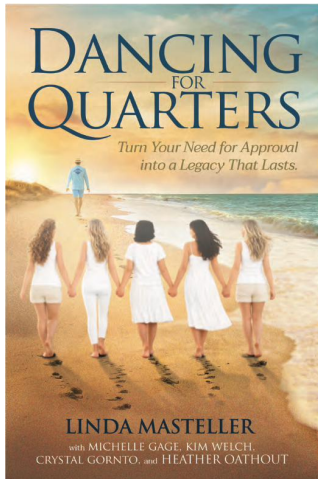


Dancing for Quarters

Turn Your Need for Approval into a Legacy That Lasts

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About the book

As a boy in Kansas City, Rod Masteller danced a jig for his uncles' quarters and quietly absorbed a belief that would run his whole life: performance plus approval equals worth. He carried that pattern into decades of ministry, until a rooftop conversation in Atlanta stopped him cold and reorganized the rest of his life around one question: are you going to dance, or are you going to rest? Written by his wife and four daughters after his sudden death, *Dancing for Quarters* tells the story of thirteen daily choices, first in Rod's own words from sermons and journals, then through the eyes of the family who watched him live them, and who are still living them today.

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MEET THE AUTHORS

Linda Masteller



Linda Masteller shares with us her 50+ year journey with her pastor husband, Rod Masteller, who was unexpectedly taken away during Covid. With her 4 daughters she explains through laughter and tears, the principles of a loving family which Rod taught and lived over his lifetime.

They share how these simple truths can be a guide to building a lasting legacy in your family. Linda is a former elementary school teacher who used those skills with her children and grandchildren. She is an entrepreneur who has worked in network marketing with jewelry and health products. Linda lives in Frisco, Texas with her Chihuahua, Dinkee. She enjoys raising orchids and plumerias and loving on her 11 grandchildren.

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Michelle Gage is the oldest of the four Masteller girls. An author, speaker, podcast host, pastor, and ministry leader living in Orlando, Florida, Michelle has been married to her husband, Rodney, and serving in ministry together for 35 years. She is the co-founder of ReThink Life Church and The Winning Family ministry organization, as well as the founder of the ReThink Pink Conference for women and girls. She has spoken to thousands through churches, conferences, and leadership events, and her YouVersion Bible App devotionals have reached more than 70,000 completions worldwide. Michelle is the mother of three adult children and “GiGi” to three grandchildren, continuing her family’s legacy of faith, resilience and encouragement.

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Kim Welch, DNP



As the second of four daughters, Kim was raised in a family where faith, resilience, and the steady example of a devoted father shaped the foundation of her life. A wife, mother of 3, breast cancer survivor, nurse practitioner, published medical journal author, and international aesthetic medicine trainer, she has spent her life caring for others while continually seeking growth and purpose through every season. Deeply rooted in family and lifelong learning, Kim joins her mother and sisters in sharing the lessons, traditions, and legacy that not only shaped their family story, but continue to guide the women they are today.

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Crystal Gornto



Crystal Gornto is an author, storyteller, and women's community leader whose work sits at the intersection of faith, family legacy, and purposeful living. The daughter of Dr. Rod Masteller, Crystal brings a deeply personal voice to the themes of legacy, joy, grief, and the daily choices that define a life well lived. A co-author of *Dancing for Quarters*, Crystal also founded HeartStories, a women's connection and community platform, and Plot Twist Concierge, where she guides women navigating complex life transitions through expert connections, storytelling, workshops, and luxury travel retreat experiences. Her writing and speaking connect with women seeking inspiration, healing after loss, intentional parenting, and faith-driven purpose. Crystal's work has helped thousands of women choose joy, own their stories, and live fully, even in the hardest seasons.

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Heather Joy Oathout is a devoted wife, mother of three, former teacher, and follower of Jesus who is passionate about faith, family, and serving others. Alongside her husband, Brian, she is raising two daughters and a son to love Jesus and be His hands and feet in the world. From fostering dogs to raising two children with dyslexia and one with Type 1 Diabetes, Heather embraces life with grace and joy, believing that investing in her family is life's greatest blessing.

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