

Philip Gulley Workshops



BOOKLIST compares Philip Gulley to Garrison Keillor, Annie Dillard, Wendell Berry and Kathleen Norris—“He writes as cleanly as they, and perhaps with greater range...”

THE WRITING CRAFT: Words about Words

Philip has authored fifteen books, ranging from essay collections, novels, and theological works. He has spoken at colleges, conferences and libraries throughout the country on the art and business of writing. With nearly two million books in print, Philip is not only well-versed in the craft of writing, he enjoys helping other writers cultivate and market their work. Drawing on his fourteen years of publishing experience, he will provide a fun and memorable event for your writing class or organization.

THE ART OF PREACHING: Words about The Word

A Quaker pastor for almost 25 years, Philip has pastored three congregations, preached in Alzheimer units and convention centers, been invited to leave some venues and been applauded in others, is still embarrassed by his first sermon, and is still deeply in love with the weekly sermon and its power to create Christian community. In this workshop, Philip will discuss the vital components of preaching, including story, humor, authenticity, and relevance. The Episcopal bishop and writer John Shelby Spong has called Philip’s theology “warm, gentle, profound and moving.”

A PROGRESSIVE FAITH: The Many Languages of God

Walter Brueggemann described Philip’s worldview as “a welcome antidote to so much contemporary religion that is coercive, intolerant, and finally unbearable.” In a world of narrow religion, where faith is defined by who and what God hates, Philip offers a gracious, thoughtful view of God. His books on grace (*If Grace Is True* and *If God Is Love*), co-written with Jim Mulholland, have intrigued and inspired hundreds of thousands of readers around the world. This workshop equips the participant to think theologically, letting go of those divine images which hamper their spiritual growth and well-being, training them in a new language of grace, acceptance, and transformation.

“Philip Gulley sees the world around him clearly, tells us about it directly, and leaves us thinking that he would be a good man to spend time with.”
— Bob Greene, author of *And You Know You Should Be Glad*

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