

TAYLOR'S TIPS for a productive writing career...

Dear Fellow Writer,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we embark upon our journey into 2010, let's take a moment to reflect on the past. Heck, the television stations are doing it, even the radios. They're going back into the whole decade to look at the good and the bad that the country has endured. How about you? Do you look back at the past year (or even ten years) as a time of bad events or do you look for the nuggets of good that happened to you?

I'm all for looking at the good. Sure, we address those things that didn't work out so well, and maybe we revamp how we do things in the future, but there's an awful lot that is good in the world. And that includes you. Have you decided on your goals for this coming year?



AIM FOR THE STARS...

AND YOU'LL FIND A GALAXY OF SUCCESS.



Just yesterday I posted on Twitter and Facebook that I was doing a soul searching of my priorities for 2010 and that I was giving God the in-charge go-ahead signal to direct my path. Some of my goals include being patient while my agent shops my dog novel, and I've just recently been contacted by another agent to collaborate on a narrative nonfiction book that is right up my alley. I'd like to squeeze in submissions to *Guideposts* and some to *Chicken Soup*. And then there are the speaking engagements I love, the work I do to help other writers, the blogs I've been asked to contribute to. Where do I put my time and energy? What should come first? What can wait? What is most important? That's what I have asked God to show me. And I'm going to listen. :)

I know there are a bunch of stars just waiting to shine brightly in YOUR sky.



What are YOUR goals and priorities?

Happy writing and blessings on your work.

What's Happening...

Speaking Engagements Ahead...

January 21st Kingsfield Church in Aliso Viejo has asked me to speak to the moms program. We'll be talking about "How to Stay Positive In a Negative World."

February 10th Mission Hills Community Church has asked me to speak to the MOPS group. We'll also be talking about "How to Stay Positive In a Negative World."

Mount Hermon Christian Writers Conference March 26th to 30th. Did you ask for contributions as a Christmas gift? Save your fives and tens in an envelope for this conference. It's a good one. Check it out. <http://mounthermon.org/adult/professionals/writers-conference>

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