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## Kenya's "God's presence: the missing something" (Book Review)

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# Book Reviews

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Kenya, A. (2016). *God's presence: the missing something*. Castle Rock, CO: New Harbor Press. 301 pp. \$23.74. ISBN 9781633570955

Amilliah Kenya is a Bible teacher, college professor and public speaker who has written two other books. She gives us biblical examples with some examples from experience, of how God's presence or lack of it, affected lives. Kenya points out our great need for God's presence in the times we live in and how we cannot be victorious without it. As Kenya states in her preface, "You can be God's powerhouse to effectively minister to those hurting from spiritually rooted problems. This century is plagued with emptiness, despair, intense suffering and hopelessness. It is God's presence that will turn hearts to sobriety. God's presence will arouse the conscience, restore sound morals, bring back conviction and instill the fear and reverence of God." Each chapter begins with a scripture and with quotes about the importance of God and prayer, by U.S. presidents. There are scriptures throughout the text, but it may be good to have a Bible available while reading, to look further, or to use another translation. The chapters conclude with "back to God exercises" and "Scriptures to ponder and memorize." There are also questions and challenges to make the reader think.

It won't be a surprise to many Christian readers that prayer and meditating on God's word are vital in cultivating God's presence in our lives. However, this book is worth reading as a challenge to seek God in a deeper way. In Jeremiah 29:13, one of the "scriptures to ponder," the Lord says, "And ye shall seek me and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart."

This book can be used as a devotional resource. It also touches on spiritual warfare and would make a good addition to the Christian life collections of many libraries.

## Reviewer

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