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Deep Woods Survivor

Enumclaw, WA – House fire...the death of a child or spouse...wilderness survival...kidnap—any one of these misfortunes could defeat the strongest among us. Broken down by these same hardships, Katherine McLean struggles to make sense of the devastation that surrounds her. Set in the deep woods territory of the upper Midwest in 1890s pioneer America, *Footprints under the Pines* by Dawn Batterbee Miller, tells of love, sacrifice, desolation, and renewal.

Newly widowed with a hateful stepdaughter and a dependant toddler, Katherine McLean is forced to assume her husband's role as camp storekeeper in the insulated "man's world" of the lumber camp. Isolation, deprivation, and hard work are the norm in their new life. With too few glimpses of happiness, Katherine is tempted to abandon hope as one tragedy follows another, until she finds that faith and perseverance prevail. Relationships can be repaired, and first love can be re-discovered.

Dr. Curtis Alexander, Associate Editor of the *Missionary Church Today* magazine writes, "Miller's graphic depictions of life in northern Michigan's lumbering era make you almost wish you were there—until the tall load falls and everyone runs for their lives. Or someone is sick and the medical establishment has yet to be established. Or a little girl . . . oops, I'd better not go there. But you should, if a quiet evening, a good cup of coffee, and a heart-warming story are your cup of tea."

Steeped in true accounts of life in a lumber camp and the local lore of the lumberjack at her grandfather's knee, Dawn Miller has infused *Footprints under the Pines* with rich detail and authenticity. This is no tall tale of Paul Bunyan.

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