

Kimberla Lawson Roby

New York Times Bestselling Author & Speaker Kimberla Lawson Roby has published **26 books** which include **SIN OF A WOMAN, A SINFUL CALLING, BEST FRIENDS FOREVER, THE ULTIMATE BETRAYAL, A CHRISTMAS PRAYER, THE PRODIGAL SON, THE PERFECT MARRIAGE, THE REVEREND'S WIFE, BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU PRAY FOR, SIN NO MORE, CASTING THE FIRST STONE**, and her debut title, **BEHIND CLOSED DOORS**, which was originally self-published through her own company, Lenox Press. She has **sold more than 2.8 Million copies of her novels**, and they have frequented numerous bestseller lists, including *The New York Times*, *USA Today*, *The Washington Post*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Essence*, *Upscale*, *Black Christian News*, *AALBC.com*, *Barnes and Noble*, *Amazon.com*, *Wal-Mart*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *The Austin Chronicle* and many others.

Over the years, Kimberla has spoken to thousands of women at churches, conferences, expos, workshops, luncheons, libraries, colleges, universities and bookstores. She shares from the heart, her own personal journey, and also encourages others to discover their passion and follow their purpose.

Kimberla is the **2013 NAACP Image Award Winner for Outstanding Literary Work – Fiction**, the recipient of the **2017 SOAR Radio Trailblazer of Honor award**, the **2017 Southwest Florida Reading Festival Distinguished Author award**, the **2017 AAMBC Christian Fiction Author of the Year award** and the **2014 AAMBC Female Author of the Year award**, the **2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2013 African-American Literary Awards Show (New York, NY) Female Author of the Year award**, the **Blackboard Fiction Book of the Year Award in 2001 for CASTING THE FIRST STONE**, and the **1998 First-Time Author Award from Chicago's Black History Month Book Fair and Conference**, and in 2001, Kimberla was inducted into the **Rock Valley College Alumni Hall of Fame (Rockford, IL)**.

Kimberla's novels deal with very real issues, including corruption within the church (and the consequences of betraying God's Word), drug and gambling addiction, infidelity, single motherhood, breast cancer, infertility, sibling rivalry, domestic violence, childhood sexual abuse, mental illness, care-giving of a parent, racial and gender discrimination in the workplace, sexual harassment, and overweight issues to name a few. In addition, Kimberla's books offer a message of redemption, forgiveness, and the realities of everyday life.

Kimberla resides in Illinois with her husband, Will. Her **27th title, BETTER LATE THAN NEVER**, will be released in June 2018.