



Lady in White



Chapter Seven – by Kay and Russ Hively

Miss Lamb and Dr. Worten were walking together, away from church. Sandy stood and watched them stop at the stairs that led up to Dr. Worten's office. The doctor allowed Miss Lamb to climb the stairs in front of him, and they went inside.

When Sandy turned around, Judy was standing next to her. Judy's mouth was wide open. The girls discussed what they had just seen. What was Miss Lamb doing with Dr. Worten? If she was the new teacher, why was she going to church with the doctor? How did they know each other? Miss Lamb had just gotten into town on Friday. What was going on?

As the church emptied, Mrs. Hacket called for Sandy to hurry along. As the Hacket family walked down the street, Sandy told them about seeing Miss Lamb in church with Dr. Worten. She asked her parents if they knew who Miss Lamb was. Mr. Hacket looked down at Sandy and said they had only been introduced to her.

As he talked, Sandy's father reached up with his left hand and started playing with his watch chain. Sandy had seen him do this before when he was making a decision. But Mr. Hacket only said

that time would tell who Miss Lamb was and what she was doing in town.

After lunch, Sandy and her father walked down to the river to go fishing. Sandy liked fishing with father. Their favorite spot was a huge tree that hung over the water. They would sit on a limb and fish for catfish along the river bottom. Mr. Hacket said when he was a boy the fish were bigger and easier to catch.

Sandy and her father once fished a little farther down stream, but the fish stopped biting at that spot last year. Mr. Hacket thought the fish stopped biting there after the trees had been cleared for some new houses, but he did not know why.

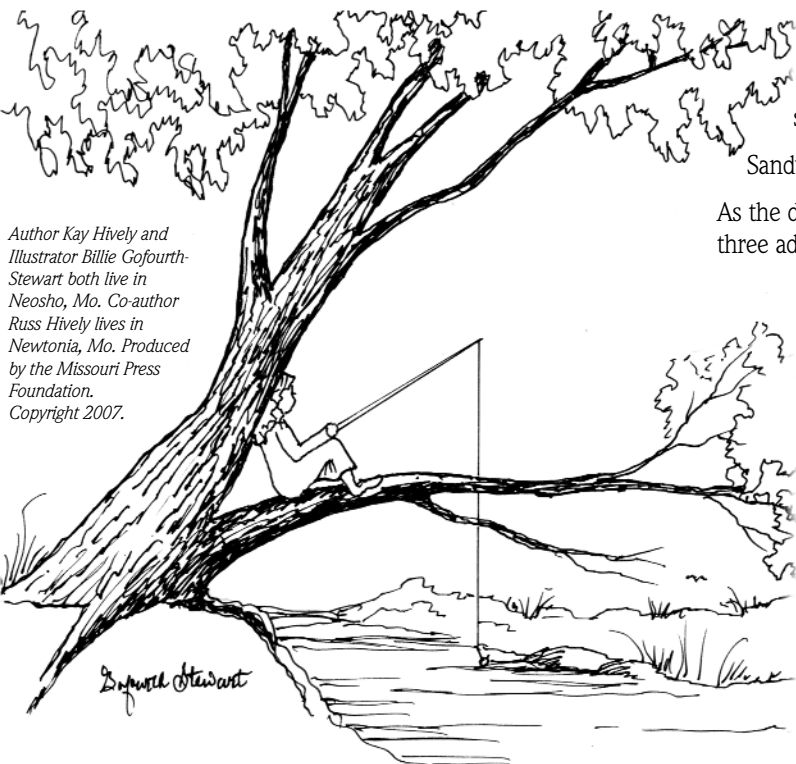
Later that night, when Sandy was lying in bed, she could not help but think about Miss Lamb. She could not imagine what was going to happen tomorrow at school.

The next morning, Sandy shot out of bed early. She was at the table, ready for breakfast, before her mother had finished cooking it. With a twinkle in her eye, Mrs. Hacket asked Sandy why she was up so early. Sandy blushed and said she just woke up early.

As soon as she finished breakfast, Sandy headed to school. She was nervous and had all kinds of thoughts about what was going to happen at school. Was she going to get a new teacher? She had seen Miss Lamb with her teacher. But she had also seen Miss Lamb in church with Dr. Worten.

Sandy just could not figure out what was going on.

As the door to the schoolhouse swung open, Sandy could see three adults standing in front of the classroom.



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Things to Think About and Do

- Mr. Hacket kept his watch on a chain. Where do most people keep their watches today? When did the first wristwatches appear?
- Sandy and her father fished along the river. To fish today, people have to have a license. Why is that? Who issues that license in your state?
- Look through your newspaper to make a list of people you'd like to meet. Explain why you want to meet each one.

STANDARDS: G1:1; SS:2; G4:3; S:8

Next Week: Chapter Eight – Identity revealed.