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Dear Covenant Books:

Prepare to embark on a literary journey that will touch the depths of the human spirit. I would like to introduce "Honeycomb Words," my non-fiction faith-based book project that encapsulates the very essence of your esteemed publishing house's mission and values. In the timeless wisdom of Proverbs chapter 24, the Word of God is likened to a honeycomb—a beautiful symbol of the sweet promises and unwavering hope it holds for the future. Today, as mental health challenges loom large in our world, my book aims to offer a remarkable fusion of spirituality and health as a source of motivation and inspiration for people in need. But this is no ordinary exploration defined by mere research and statistics. Instead, it delves fearlessly into the depths of my personal story of recovery, unveiling how God's unwavering presence never abandoned me during my darkest battles with depression and anxiety.

In "Honeycomb Words," I offer readers an intimate glimpse into my testimony, showcasing the unyielding power of God's promises. Drawing upon my background in Health education and promotion, I intertwine spirituality with a steadfast commitment to raise awareness and inspire transformative change. With a target audience spanning diverse backgrounds, my book serves as a guiding light for those navigating life's challenges through faith and motivation. Rooted in my deep reverence for holistic well-being, I weave practical strategies, empowering exercises, and heartfelt anecdotes, enabling readers to infuse faith and motivation into their daily lives. I aim to inspire and support others on their personal growth journeys. This book represents the culmination of my personal experiences, academic insights, and an unwavering desire to inspire others to rise above adversity with unyielding faith and resilience. It is my hope to collaborate with a publishing house that shares my vision and values. I wholeheartedly believe that Covenant Books is the ideal partner to bring "Honeycomb Words" to fruition.

With gratitude,  
Gia Rushing

### **Query Letter Reflection**

The query letter I submitted for this course is addressed to Covenant Books publishing. My main goal in crafting this query letter is to understand the formatting process of querying. Prior to taking this course, I had no plans to publish any of my writing. I am simply an academic who has engaged in a significant amount of writing for both coursework and leisure. However, I decided to embark on this course because I am interested in learning more about the publishing industry.

My selling pitch that I am attempting to convey is that this book comes from the perspective of a health educator who has personally struggled with mental health. My goal is to simply be a light and share my personal testimony, backed by research and my own life experiences. I believe that this unique perspective in this niche of literature could be compelling. I tailored my query letter to the publication that reached out to me when I sent an information inquiry seeking more information from the publishing house. I used the address provided in the email I received. Since I have no intention of sending this query letter to the publishing house and only used their information as a formatting tool, I consider this submission to be an example query letter that I could send to an agent or publication in the future.

Regarding the formatting of the query letter, I made my best attempt to follow the instructions provided in Module 4, specifically the Purdue link with examples of writing a basic business letter in block style. I believe that mastering formatting is an essential skill to hone for publication writing, as it conveys professionalism.