

This did not start out to be a memoir; rather a compilation of professional and opinion-writing to one day be read by our children and grandchildren. Early in the process it became clear that some chronology was needed to give background and context. Thus a memoir, plus. Still intended for the extended family, it is full of stories and perspectives from two different cultures and geographies, different decades and histories. This will also be of interest to a general audience who may not read the whole book but will enjoy reading "in" the book.

Polinder writes with voice—to know him will be to hear him telling his stories. Honest, insightful, warm and funny—you will learn much about leadership, relationship and partnership, most often with a smile.



Ron Polinder grew up on a dairy farm in Lynden, Washington fully intending to one day join the family tradition. That is, until he hit Freshman Chemistry at rigorous Calvin College, now University, where he discovered he had more aptitude for the Humanities, leading him into the world of Education. What followed was a 46 year career, split between teaching and administration in Western New Mexico, working with Native students and families, and becoming a High School principal in his hometown Christian high school. This memoir will tell of grand adventures, warm friendship, and deep suffering. Throughout, his Christian faith was central, and his prayer was that the Lord would "establish the work of their hands." He was husband to Colleen, now deceased, sharing three children and ten grandchildren. He is now married to Judy, living in Lynden as retired volunteers.



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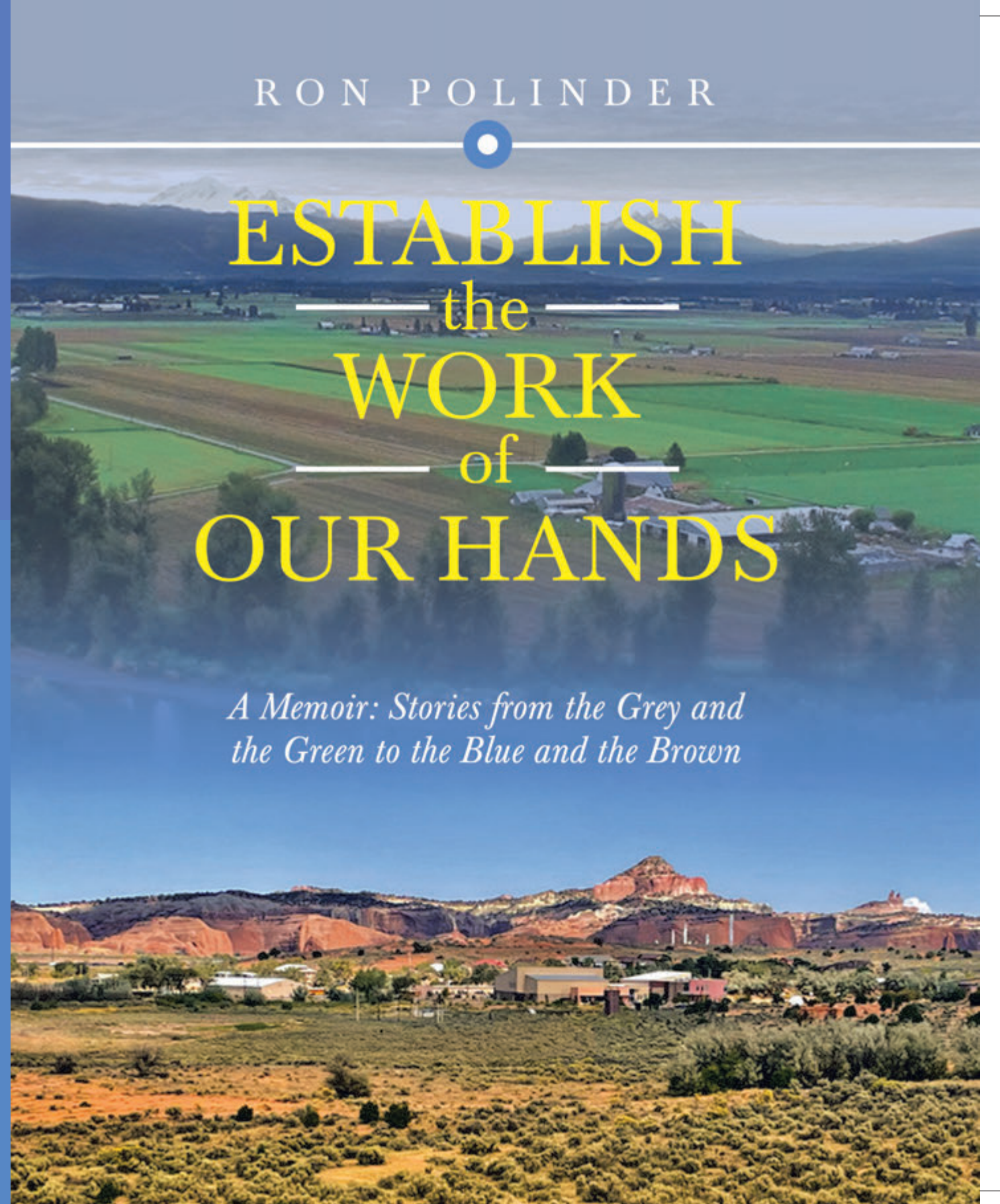
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