

*Open Heart, Open Home*  
by Karen Mains

*Open Heart, Open Home* was a book I read when we lived in a very small apartment in Dallas, Texas years ago. At the time, I was prone to thinking hospitality meant "Martha Stewart" or "Southern Living." While Martha and Southern Living are helpful in setting a beautiful table, this book reminded me that real, Christ centered hospitality has more to do with the hostess's heart than how lovely and big her home is. Karen Mains writes, "true hospitality does not try to impress, but tries to make others feel welcome and wanted." This book was very helpful in helping me to view my home and how I use it through the eyes of Jesus.

This book is available through the following websites: Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and [www.karenmains.com](http://www.karenmains.com). Or you could use this as an opportunity to form a relationship with a seasoned parent at CGS and see if she has a copy you could read! For more information please contact Angie Heinrich at [4heinrich@earthlink.net](mailto:4heinrich@earthlink.net) or 451-8007.