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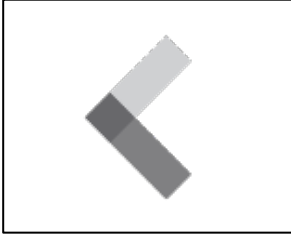
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THE LAZY GENIUS PLAN by Kendra J. Adachi

Praise for THE LAZY GENIUS WAY:

"As a longtime fan of The Lazy Genius Podcast, I could not be more excited about this book. Kendra has a gift for asking questions that helps you prioritize the parts of your life that really matter and let go of the parts that don't. She doesn't preach or pressure; she inquires and encourages. As she admits, it's not easy to manage the seemingly constant demands of running a house, planning meals, hosting relatives, and creating and maintaining holiday traditions, all while finding time for your own work and self-care. But Kendra makes it all a lot easier!"—Jenna Fischer, actor, author of The Actor's Life, and cohost of the Office Ladies podcast

This next book from *New York Times* bestselling author Kendra Adachi puts goals, routines, and to-do lists in a compassionate context and offers a system that goes in the right order, allowing the reader to get stuff done without feeling constantly behind.

Kendra Adachi is the *New York Times* bestselling author of THE LAZY GENIUS KITCHEN (WaterBrook, 2022) and THE LAZY GENIUS WAY (WaterBrook, 2020), and creator of *The Lazy Genius* podcast, and the founder of the Lazy Genius Collective website, which has nearly a million annual visitors.

Publishers of THE LAZY GENIUS WAY: Bulgarian: *Skyprint*; Chinese (simplified): *Beijing Guangchen*; Chinese (complex): *Heliopolis*; Hebrew: *Or Am*; Bahasa (Indonesian): *Renebook*; Korean: *Mobidic*; Polish: *Kobiece*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Editora Alta*; Russian: *MIF*; Serbian: *Laguna*; Spanish: *Ediciones Obelisco*; Thai: *Amarin*; Ukrainian: *Nash Format*; Vietnamese: *Viet Nam AZ*

Everybody Come Alive A Memoir in Essays

Marcie Alvis Walker
Creator of Black Coffee
with White Friends

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EVERYBODY COME ALIVE: A Memoir in Essays by Marcie Alvis Walker

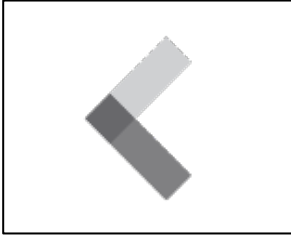
A dazzling memoir that explores what it means to become fully alive and holy when we embrace the silenced stories we've inherited—from the creator of *Black Coffee with White Friends*.

In her debut book, **EVERYBODY COME ALIVE**, Marcie Alvis Walker offers readers a deeply intimate and illuminating memoir comprising lyrical essays and remembrances of being a curious child of the seventies and eighties, raised under the critical and watchful eye of Jim Crow matriarchs who struggled to integrate their lives and remain whole.

Her writing is nostalgic but unflinching, candid yet tender. While swimming in rivers of racial trauma and racial reckoning, **EVERYBODY COME ALIVE** is an invitation to be vulnerable along with her as she unravels all the beauty and terror of God, race, and gender's imprint on her life.

This is a coming-of-age journey touching on the bittersweet pain and joy of what it takes to become a person who fully embraces being Black, being a woman, and being holy in America. Alvis Walker's unforgettable writing challenges readers to not only see and hold her story as being fully human, but also to see and hold their own stories too.

Marcie Alvis-Walker is the creator of the popular Instagram feed *Black Coffee with White Friends*. She is also the creator of *Black Eyed Bible Stories*. Marcie is passionate about what it means to embrace intersectionality, diversity, and inclusion in our spiritual lives. She lives in Chicago with her family.

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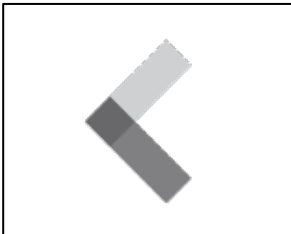
Editor: Keren Baltzer**Rights:** World**Co-Agents:** Christian**Status:** Manuscript May 2023**IT WASN'T ROARING, IT WAS WEEPING: *Interpreting the Language of Our Fathers Without Repeating Their Stories*****by Lisa-Jo Baker**

A searingly honest coming-of-age memoir of growing up a white child in South Africa at the height of apartheid, and her journey to make peace with her, at turns, loving and terrifying father from bestselling author of *THE MIDDLE MATTERS* (WaterBrook, 2019).

Born white in the heart of Zululand during the height of apartheid, Baker offers her story of violence and faith, history and race with unflinching honesty and unwavering hope. Born to a tyrannical doctor and mother who died too young of cancer when Baker was a little girl, Baker eventually made her way to America to study, where she soon experienced America's own racial deconstruction and the kind of painful awakening that is both individual and universal, personal and communal. She invites readers to wrestle with the real time impact of getting things like faith, parenting, and race relations wrong and learning that it's never too late to choose a different way to respond.

With aching vulnerability, this gorgeously written memoir invites readers to look into their past, their hurts, and their prejudices. This is the story of a father and a daughter and their shared love of country and language of remorse and restoration. It is also a guide for every person who feels lost in their life, worried that they're too late or too off course to make the necessary corrections. With ineffable empathy, Baker assures you, it's never too late.

Lisa-Jo Baker is the best-selling author of *NEVER UNFRIENDED*, *SURPRISED BY MOTHERHOOD*, and—most recently—*THE MIDDLE MATTERS*. A sought-after national speaker, her writings have resonated with thousands and have been featured on *HuffPost Parents*, *BibleGateway*, *Fox News*, *Christianity Today*, *IF:Table*, and more. She is the cohost of the *Out of the Ordinary* podcast and lives just outside Washington, DC with her family.

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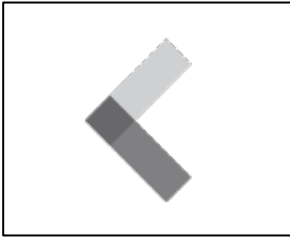
Religion

Editor: Becky Nesbitt**Rights:** World**Co-Agents:** Christian**Status:** Manuscript October 2023**NOBODY'S BORN WOKE****by Brit Barron**

In **NOBODY'S BORN WOKE**, Brit Barron offers eight steps on our journey from chaos to clarity, including narrative and personal stories from Brit and her experiences as well as concrete questions and prompts for the reader as they move through the book.

A companion workbook will be published simultaneously.

Brit Barron is a teacher, author, and a sought-after speaker about the intersections of spirituality, race, gender, and sexuality. Along with her wife, Sami, she co-founded Other Dreamers, a creative agency designed to help others tell their stories authentically.



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HER RITES: *Sacred Therapeutic Guides for Embodied Living*

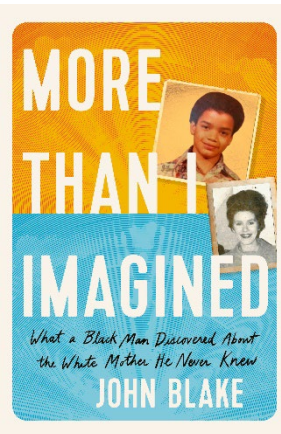
by Christy Angelle Bauman

HER RITES is a daring invitation to readers to discover and claim their identity and purpose through six rites of passage that show us how to find the freedom to thrive right where we are.

Millions of women want to live their best life in a chaotic and complicated world, and they know they can't do it alone. Author, teacher, and therapist Dr. Christy Bauman has been there—and she has dedicated her life to helping women grow spiritually and therapeutically into their best selves, finding wellness, overcoming disconnection from themselves and others, and discovering meaning and profound joy.

In **HER RITES**, Dr. Bauman takes you through the six most common rites of passage in every female's life: birthright, initiation, exile, creating, intuition, and legacy, helping readers to find wholeness and self-knowledge. She also includes ritual templates, liturgical scripts, and exercises in each chapter to counsel the reader through her story step by step on the way to integration and wholeness. Bauman has seen again and again that by learning to pause, reconnect to ourselves and God, and mark the moments and rites of passage through which we travel, we can come home to ourselves and begin to thrive right where we are.

Dr. Christy Bauman, Ph.D., MDFT, & LMHC is a therapist, professor, and author specializing in Christian women's sexual and spiritual health. She supports women while they work towards self-identity, sexual healing, and hope, and she is committed to helping women come into their authentic voices. She hosts the podcast *Womaneering* in which she discusses what it means to pioneer a meaningful life.



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MORE THAN I IMAGINED: *What a Black Man Discovered About the White Mother He Never Knew*

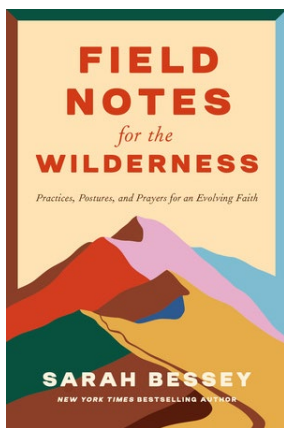
by John Blake

An award-winning journalist tells the story of his quest to reconcile with his white mother and the family he's never met—and how faith brought them all together.

Growing up in Baltimore, John Blake became something of a "closeted biracial person": hostile toward white people, while hiding the truth of his mother's race. The son of a Black man and a white woman who met a time when interracial marriage was still illegal, Blake knew this much about his mother: She vanished from his life not long after his birth, and her family rejected him because of his race. But at the age of seventeen, Blake had a surprise encounter with his mother that uncovered a disturbing family secret. This launched Blake on a quest to reconcile with his white family—a search for identity and a place to belong.

Blake covered some of the biggest stories about race in America for twenty-five years before realizing that "facts don't change people, relationships do." He only discovered that after experiencing what he calls "radical integration." It was the only way forward for him and his family—and it's the only way forward for America as a multiracial democracy. **MORE THAN I IMAGINED** is a hopeful story for our difficult times.

John Blake is an award-winning journalist at CNN. He has been honored by the Associated Press, the Society of Professional Journalists, the American Academy of Religion, the National Association of Black Journalists, and the Religion Communicators Council and with the GLAAD Media Award. He has spoken at high schools, colleges, and symposiums and in documentaries on race, religion, and politics. Blake is a native of Baltimore, Maryland.



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FIELD NOTES FOR THE WILDERNESS: *Practices, Postures, and Prayers for an Evolving Faith* by Sarah Bessey

A nurturing and hopeful collection of principles, prayers, and practices to help an emerging generation of Christians reconnect to their faith and forge their own path forward—from Glennon Doyle's "favorite faith writer," and the *New York Times* bestselling author of *A RHYTHM OF PRAYER* (Convergent, 2021).

Sarah Bessey is an expert at faithfully stumbling forward. As a multiple *New York Times* bestselling author and co-founder of the foremost community for progressive Christians, *Evolving Faith*, she has been trusted by thousands of people to get it wrong, and try again. Bessey has found a remnant in the wilderness of Christianity—a deeply underserved and under-estimated remnant—who are still committed to Jesus, deeply rooted in the Gospel, fascinated with Scripture, and committed to reimagining their faith.

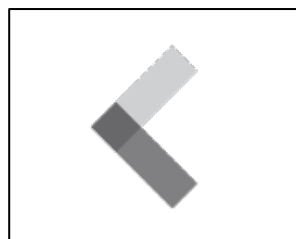
Full of meditations and activities, **FIELD NOTES FOR THE WILDERNESS** guides the reader through multiple principles to live by for an evolving faith. In this groundbreaking and nurturing book, Bessey has given us a table for our questions, a shepherd for our curiosity, tools to cultivate what we crave, and a blessing for what was—even as we leave it behind.

An accompanying study guide is due to publish simultaneously with **FIELD NOTES FOR THE WILDERNESS**.

Sarah Bessey is the author of five books, including the *New York Times* bestseller, *A RHYTHM OF PRAYER*. She is a sought-after speaker at churches, conferences, and universities all around the world. Sarah is also the co-curator and co-host of the annual Evolving Faith Conference and she serves as president of the board for Heartline Ministries in Haiti.

Another book and an accompanying study guide are under contract for May 2025.

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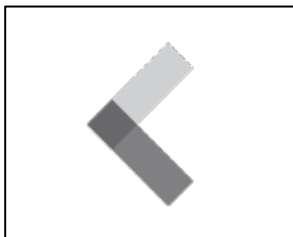
HAVE A BEAUTIFUL, TERRIBLE DAY!: *Daily Meditations for the Rest of Us* by Kate Bowler

Tender and powerful spiritual reflections, written as blessings, designed to help people in their everyday, wonderful, messy humanity, from the *NY Times* bestselling author of *GOOD ENOUGH* (Convergent, 2022).

We are far more delicate than we let on, our losses as common as our gains. Kate Bowler wants to encourage people to develop their capacity to feel the breadth of their experiences. The better we are at identifying our spiritual highs and lows, the more resilient we become. But first we need the language to see that the very good (and very bad) are all part of what it means to be fully alive.

Kate Bowler is the three-time *New York Times* bestselling author of *THE LIVES WE ACTUALLY HAVE*, *EVERYTHING HAPPENS FOR A REASON*, *NO CURE FOR BEING HUMAN*, *GOOD ENOUGH*, *BLESSED*, and *THE PREACHER'S WIFE* and hosts the popular podcast *Everything Happens*. A Duke University professor, she earned a master's of religion from Yale Divinity School, and a PhD at Duke University.

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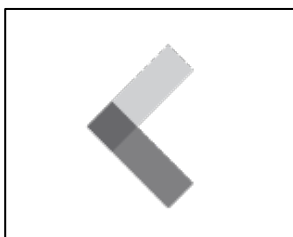
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EXVANGELICAL AND BEYOND**by Blake Chastain**

EXVANGELICAL AND BEYOND is a testament to the power of online communities as a haven and a force for change, and how the rise of Exvangelicals—progressive Christians refusing to let modern Christianity be ruled by racism, nationalism, or patriarchy—are a beacon of hope for faith communities today.

For more than a century, white evangelical institutions have created a parallel society within America for its adherents to live in comfortably. This parallel society is artificial, and that bubble has burst. Progressive Christianity for years has played backseat to its traditional conservative predecessor, being too groundroofs to put a finger on—but with the rise of social media communities and public accountability—a name was born, and a community rose with it: Exvangelical. Blake Chastain first coined this term in 2016, and it has been the banner for a groundswell movement happening in religion like we've never before seen.

Blake Chastain is the host of the podcasts *Exvangelical* and *Powers & Principalities*, founder of the Irreverent Media Group, and writer of The Post-Evangelical Post newsletter. Blake lives in the Chicagoland area with his wife and daughter.

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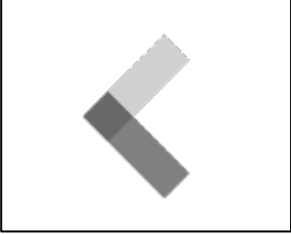
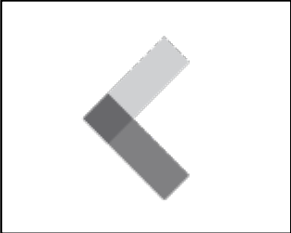
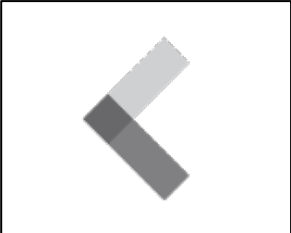
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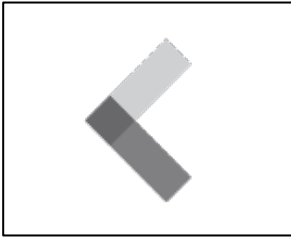
Editor: Derek Reed**Rights:** World English**Translation:** UTA (Albert Lee & Lily Dolin)**Status:** Manuscript April 2024; Proposal available**GOOD SOIL****by Jeffery Chu**

In his mid-40s, Jeffery Chu left his job as a *FastCompany* reporter and enrolled in Princeton's "farminary," a working farm where students learn sustainable agriculture while studying theology. **GOOD SOIL** follows Jeffery's journey over those four years discussing how he learned to work the soil and ended up harvesting spiritual lessons that changed his life during a time of existential crisis and personal loss, the questions he asked and the things he learned as a farmhand that transcended any particular religion. Through cultivating humility and nurturing purpose, he learned to pay closer attention to the world and growing love.

Reading like **BRAIDING SWEETGRASS** meets Henry Nouwen, Jeffery shines both as a nature writer and as a spiritual thinker.

Jeffery Chu is co-leader of the Evolving Faith conference and podcast with Sarah Bessey. In 2013, Chu published **DOES JESUS REALLY LOVE ME?** (Harper), a book about being gay and Christian. He also co-authored the 2021 *New York Times* bestseller **WHOLEHEARTED FAITH** (HarperOne), which he completed for his friend Rachel Held Evans after her death in 2019. His work and writing have appeared in outlets like NPR's *Fresh Air*, the *New York Times*, and *The New Yorker*.

 <p>Convergent May 2025 Hardcover Cooking/Motivational & Inspirational</p> <p>Editor: Derek Reed Rights: World Translation: Christian Status: Manuscript August 2023; Proposal available</p>	<p>THE FEEL-GOOD KITCHEN by Cara Clark</p> <p>Featuring approximately 90 recipes, Cara Clark will teach readers her "feel good kitchen" philosophy on how eating well and getting in touch with your physical well-being can also lead to spiritual health and personal well-being. The book will also have prayers, centering exercises, and other activities woven throughout.</p> <p>Cara Clark is a certified sports and clinical nutritionist, and owner of Cara Clark Nutrition. She has worked with celebrities, Olympic athletes and prepared top NBA and MLB prospects for the draft and their careers. Clark lives with her family in Nashville, Tennessee.</p>
 <p>Convergent October 2024 Hardcover Religion / Christian Living</p> <p>Editor: Matthew Burdette Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript October 2023</p>	<p>THE MYSTICS WOULD LIKE A WORD: <i>The Wisdom of Ancient Female Christians for a New Generation of Women</i> by Shannon K. Evans</p> <p>THE MYSTICS WOULD LIKE A WORD features an engagement with five medieval female mystics that deal with contemporary faith questions facing women. Each chapter will include personal narrative from the author and an exploration of a particular mystic that probes how their experience and theological reflection shed light on contemporary questions in unexpected and surprising ways, revealing female mystics as a counter-narrative to the dominant picture of docile, submissive women in the Christian/Catholic faith. Each chapter will also include questions for reflection that the reader can utilize.</p> <p>Shannon K. Evans, a writer in the contemplative Catholic tradition, is an editor at the National Catholic Reporter and is the author of FEMINIST PRAYERS FOR MY DAUGHTER, REWILDING MOTHERHOOD, EMBRACING WEAKNESS, and LUMINOUS, a guided journal. Her work has appeared in Catholic, Protestant, and interfaith spaces and she leads retreats in spirituality centers nationwide.</p> <p>Convergent will publish Shannon Evans next work in February 2025.</p>
 <p>Convergent June 2024 Hardcover Self-Help / Motivational</p> <p>Editor: Derek Reed Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript September 2023</p>	<p>HABITS FOR HEALING: <i>Reclaim Your Purpose, Peace, and Power</i> By Nakeia Homer</p> <p>Drawing on Homer's personal story of healing from childhood trauma and breaking general cycles, and rooted in her experience guiding others as a former social worker and counselor, the book will take readers on a journey of discovering practical ways to reclaim their lives. The book will lead with concrete, everyday practices that have brought life to Homer and others, while using those practices to discuss concepts like self-care, boundaries, self-forgiveness, and more.</p> <p>Nakeia Homer is a well-being educator and self-healing guide. Through programs, speaking, workshop facilitation, and corporate wellness consulting, Nakeia helps people sustain their well-being, operate in their brilliance, and show up in their lives and work as the best versions of themselves. Her first book, I HOPE THIS HELPS, was self-published in November 2020. She founded Heal and Grow Daily, a self-healing community and private membership, in December 2021.</p>

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Memoir/ Travel

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available**MOTHER, NATURE: A 5,000-Mile Journey to Discover if a Mother and Son Can Survive Their Differences****by Jedidiah Jenkins**Praise for TO SHAKE THE SLEEPING SELF:

"With winning candor, Jedidiah Jenkins takes us with him as he bicycles across two continents and delves deeply into his own beautiful heart. Every page of this book made me ache to know what happened next. Every chapter shimmered with truth. It's an unforgettable debut."—**Cheryl Strayed**,
author of WILD

In this poignant and entertaining memoir from the author of *TO SHAKE THE SLEEPING SELF*, a 40-year old gay man and his eccentric conservative mom take turns stepping into each other's worlds and find surprising answers to our generational and cultural rifts.

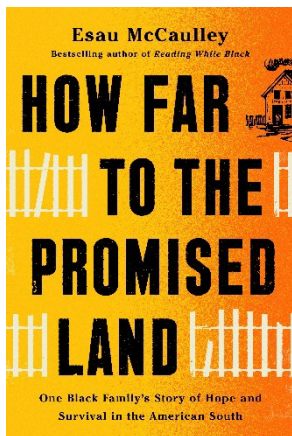
As *New York Times* bestselling author Jedidiah Jenkins approached 40, he was reminded of a palpable, sobering reality: our parents won't live forever. For years, he and his mother Barbara had talked about taking a trip together, just the two of them. They landed on an idea: retrace the thousands-of-miles route Barbara walked across America in the 1970s. And they would do it, as Barbara said, "Before an earthquake or asteroid destroys the world."

In some of his most honest and hilarious storytelling yet, Jenkins chronicles their travels together and his mission to know his mother across barriers of generational difference—who she was as a 30-year-old writer walking across America, as a wife scorned by infidelity, and as a parent with genuine love both for her son and the faith that distances her from him. Along the way, Jenkins peels back universal questions of belonging, respect, and inheritance.

Tender, funny, and ultimately profound, **MOTHER, NATURE** is an unforgettable adventure story and a journey into our most pressing questions today.

Jedidiah Jenkins is a travel writer, entrepreneur, and the *New York Times* bestselling author of *TO SHAKE THE SLEEPING SELF* (Convergent, 2018) and *LIKE STREAMS TO THE OCEAN* (Convergent, 2021). He is the executive editor of *Wilderness* magazine. Jenkins's work has appeared in *The Paris Review* and *Playboy*, and he has been covered by *National Geographic*.

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HOW FAR TO THE PROMISED LAND: *One Black Family's Story of Hope and Survival in the American South*

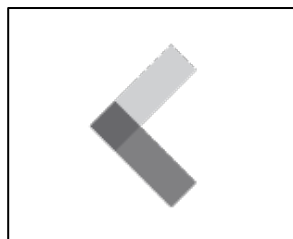
By Esau McCaulley

In this profound and empathetic personal narrative, *New York Times* contributing writer Esau McCaulley interrogates some of our most pressing questions about race, upward mobility, and the responsibilities that accompany survival—through the story of delivering a eulogy for his estranged father.

In 2017, Esau McCaulley answered his phone and learned that his father—a man whose absence defined McCaulley's childhood—had died on a California roadside. At the time, McCaulley was ensconced in the middle class, having achieved what his father's absence had motivated him to do: create a stable life for his wife and four children. But when he was tasked with delivering his father's eulogy, McCaulley was forced to reexamine his family history and the stories he told about his own path to success.

HOW FAR TO THE PROMISED LAND is an account of the emotional geography McCaulley traveled during his childhood, of the sacrifices his mother made to parent her four children, and the universal struggle to build a life without forgetting where you came from. Along the way, he interrogates the narratives we tell about poverty, broken families, and who deserves to “make it” in America—showing how each of those narratives is incomplete.

Esau McCaulley is a professor of New Testament at Wheaton College and theologian in residence at Progressive Baptist Church, a historically black congregation in Chicago. He is the author of *SHARING IN THE SON'S INHERITANCE* and the award winning book *READING WHILE BLACK: African American Biblical Interpretation as an Exercise in Hope*. He is a contributing opinion writer for the *New York Times*.



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MIND SHIFT: *It Doesn't Take a Genius to Think Like One*

by Erwin Raphael McManus

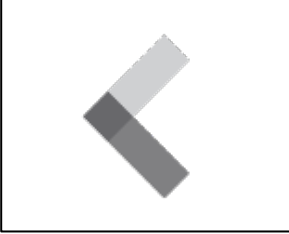
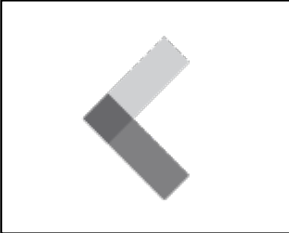
In his 40 years of work as a pastor and a leadership expert, bestselling author Erwin McManus has been obsessed with a dilemma: Why do some people succeed despite having all the odds stacked against them? Why do others achieve the unthinkable, only to watch their success slip away?

Looking back on his own life and his work advising high performers across dozens of industries, McManus realized that too many of us have “near-life” experiences. We *almost* pursue our dreams. We *almost* made the decision that changed everything. We were always one choice away. If we want to live with no regret, the battle begins in the mind—with the unconscious beliefs that either limit us or help us see, in utter clarity, the outcome of our choices before we make them.

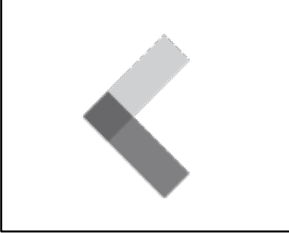
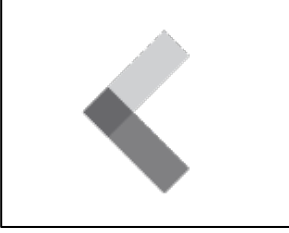
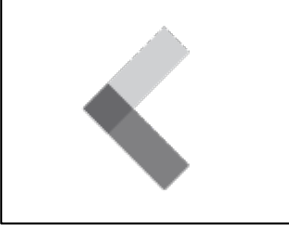
In **MIND SHIFT**, McManus brings together the twelve mindset shifts that all of us must make on our journey through life. Whether you're dreaming about a future that feels impossible, or seeking freedom and mental clarity amidst the stress of today, this is a thought-provoking and uplifting read about the mental structures that shape our lives.

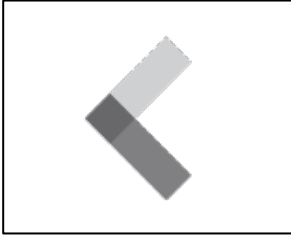
Erwin Raphael McManus is an entrepreneur, storyteller, fashion designer, filmmaker, and cultural thought leader whose singular intention is to elevate our view of reality. McManus is the founder of Mosaic, a church based in Hollywood with a community that spans the globe, and the acclaimed author of *THE GENIUS OF JESUS* (Convergent, 2021), *THE LAST ARROW* (WaterBrook, 2019), and other leading books on spirituality and creativity. McManus studied philosophy at Elon University and has a B.A in psychology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a MDiv from Southwestern Theological Seminary, and a PhD of humane letters from Southeastern University.

Publishers of Erwin Raphael McManus: Czech: *Nakladatelstvi Navrat domu*; Dutch: *Unravel Publishers*; German: *Verlag Herder*; Hungarian: *Harmat Publishing*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Chara Editora*; Romanian: *Scriptum Publishing House*; Slovak: *Slovo Medzi Nami*; Spanish: *Whitaker House*; Swedish: *Worship Store*; Vietnamese: *PACE*

 <p>Convergent February 2026 Trade Paperback Original Religion / Faith</p> <p>Editor: Derek Reed Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript February 2025</p>	<p>WORLD GONE MAD: <i>Sacred Practices to Stay Centered in an Age of Disruption</i> by Jonathan Merritt</p> <p>It's easy, in these trying times, to feel the world pushing in on you, from conspiracy theories and polarization, technology addictions and terminal illnesses, a viral pandemic and a loneliness epidemic, and the countless smaller disappointments that each of us encounters every day.</p> <p>But critically acclaimed author and columnist Jonathan Merritt says that intentional, counter-formative spiritual practices can help you stay centered in Almighty Love amid the many forms of our world's madness. Wherever you find yourself or whatever you're facing, you can call forth the holiness of the here and now through the intentional cultivation of your life's routines and rhythms.</p> <p>In WORLD GONE MAD, Merritt weaves together vulnerable, affecting personal narrative, deft cultural commentary, and provocative spiritual insights to guide readers through nine sacred practices that can center them in divine trust. Merritt helps readers weave these practices into their everyday lives, rooting themselves in self-compassion, the present moment, and a peace that outstrips comprehension.</p> <p>Jonathan Merritt is an award-winning contributing writer for <i>The Atlantic</i> and contributing editor for <i>Religion News Service</i>. Jonathan has published thousands of articles in publications such as <i>The New York Times</i>, <i>The Washington Post</i>, <i>Christianity Today</i>, and <i>USA Today</i>. He is the author of numerous books, including LEARNING TO SPEAK GOD FROM SCRATCH.</p>
 <p>Convergent March 2025 Hardcover Memoir / Leadership</p> <p>Editor: Derek Reed Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript March 2024</p>	<p>HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY by Urban Meyer</p> <p>HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY will explore Urban Meyer's football coaching career to explore how a leader's calling is to create hope and provide opportunity, and how these two pillars of motivation drive human behavior in sports, business, education, government, and life. The book will follow the ups and downs of how Meyer learned to lead in this way throughout his career, from his time as an assistant through his work as head coach at Bowling Green, Utah, Florida, and Ohio State. It will also share stories of others outside of football who have done the same in their own sphere of influence to provide readers with inspiration that anyone in any field can provide hope and opportunity.</p> <p>Urban Meyer is an American football coach and is currently the head coach of the Jacksonville Jaguars.</p>

 <p>Convergent October 2024 Hardcover Humor / Relationships</p> <p>Editor: Becky Nesbitt Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript October 2023</p>	<p>WHAT IN THE WORLD by Leanne Morgan</p> <p>This collection of funny, darling essays about life’s “what in the world?” moments is from breakout stand-up sensation Leanne Morgan—THE comedian for sweet, regular, middle-aged women. WHAT IN THE WORLD is told in her charming Southern accented voice, with warmth and honesty, about childhood, motherhood, marriage, and middle age— everything from the joy of taking off your bra at the end of the day, to being young and stupid, growing up in rural Appalachia, and the comfort of wearing big old grannie panties.</p> <p>Leanne Morgan is a stand-up comedian whose work has landed her at the prestigious Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal and has brought her development deals with ABC and Warner Brothers, TV Land and Sony Television. Leanne has garnered over 1.5 million followers across social media and her popular stand-up special, So Yummy has reached over 50 million views on YouTube. She is currently on a 100-theater stand-up tour across the United States.</p>
 <p>Convergent December 2023 Hardcover/POB Religion / Saints & Sainthood</p> <p>Editor: Becky Nesbitt Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials available</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 156 x 232 mm (6 1/8 x 9 1/8 in) Pages: 320 Illustrations: 4C art throughout Price: \$26.00</p>	<p>THE MODERN SAINTS: <i>Portraits and Reflections on the Saints</i> edited by Gracie Morbitzer</p> <p>The saints were the original social justice advocates, and this stunning collection of contemporary portraits celebrates their diversity and spiritual depth as never before, accompanied by thoughtful reflections from bestselling and influential writers. Over the centuries, the rich diversity and relevance of the saints has been whitewashed, their images portrayed as expressionless, and the lessons of their lives watered down. But in this 52-week collection—perfect for devotional reading—artist, writer, and modern iconographer Gracie Morbitzer is painting the truth.</p> <p>THE MODERN SAINTS is a celebration of the divergence of ethnicities, ages, abilities, and practices of spiritual pilgrims who transformed the world, and an invitation to connect with historical icons whose lives have astonishing and inspiring relevance for our present-day. Each entry of this striking collection features a contemporary image of the saint, a re-imagining of the space they might hold in society today, and an inspiring prayer to honor each figure. Each painting is accompanied by contributions from our current generation's spiritual thought leaders that illuminate the impact and wisdom each historical saint offers us today—among the writers included are Fr. James Martin, Marcie Alvis-Walker, Tsh Oxenrieder, Claire Swinarski, Laura Kelly Fanucci, Dr. Christena Cleveland, and many more.</p> <p>Gracie Morbitzer is a recent graduate of the Columbus College of Art & Design with a degree in Interior Architecture and Design with a focus in exhibit and set design. She lives in Columbus, Ohio, and takes much of her creative inspiration from the city. She is a self-taught painter and <i>The Saints</i> are her first fully-realized project.</p>

 <p>Convergent April 2024 Trade Paperback Original Self-Help / Spiritual</p> <p>Editor: Becky Nesbitt Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript June 2023</p>	<p>WHAT WE TALK ABOUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE ENNEAGRAM: A <i>Tough-Love Guide to Embracing All of You</i> by Elizabeth Orr</p> <p>From the creator of the Instagram account <i>Rude Ass Enneagram</i>, WHAT WE TALK ABOUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE ENNEAGRAM is an accessible and substantive Enneagram understanding that shows readers how to embrace our shadow side so that we don't disappear into shame as we learn how we create and recreate self and relationship sabotaging patterns. Elizabeth has a growing social media platform with 133K+ followers on Instagram as well as a steady engagement from her audience.</p> <p>Elizabeth Orr is an associate chaplain for Catholic Life at Wake Forest University, and is a certified Enneagram instructor.</p>
 <p>Convergent December 2024 Trade Paperback Original Self-Help / Spiritual</p> <p>Editor: Becky Nesbitt Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript June 2023</p>	<p>FOR THE JOY by K.J. Ramsey</p> <p>FOR THE JOY tackles the abiding mystery of joy. Ramsey plans to approach this complex and weighty topic by blending evocative storytelling, theology, science, and reportage, alongside practical insight and advice, all written through the lens of a trauma-informed licensed professional counselor.</p> <p>K.J. Ramsey is a licensed professional counselor, writer, and recovering idealist who believes sorrow and joy coexist. Her writing has been published in <i>Christianity Today</i>, <i>RELEVANT</i>, <i>The Huffington Post</i>, <i>Health Central</i>, <i>Catalyst</i>, and <i>Fathom Magazine</i> on the integration of theology, psychology, and spiritual formation.</p> <p>Ramsey is signed up for another book for 2025.</p>
 <p>Convergent January 2024 Hardcover Self-Help / Spiritual</p> <p>Editor: Derek Reed Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript May 2023</p>	<p>BLACK LITURGIES: <i>Prayers, Poems, Contemplation</i> By Cole Arthur Riley</p> <p>A collection of liturgies—prayers, letters, poetry, art, and breath practice—organized into two parts. Part I, drawing from the style of Black Liturgies, will be organized by topic, and will include between 5-7 liturgies within the topic, as well as short Letter, in the form of a letter to the reader. Part II will offer seasonal based liturgies, Black occasions, such as Juneteenth and Homegoing services.</p> <p>Cole Arthur Riley is the creator of Black Liturgies, a space for Black spiritual words of liberation, lament, rage, and rest; and a project of The Center for Dignity and Contemplation where she serves as Executive Curator. Born and for the most part raised in Pittsburgh, Cole studied Writing at the University of Pittsburgh. She once took a professor's advice very seriously to begin writing a little every day, and has followed it for nearly a decade.</p> <p>Publisher of THIS HERE FLESH: UK/BC: <i>Hodder Faith</i></p>

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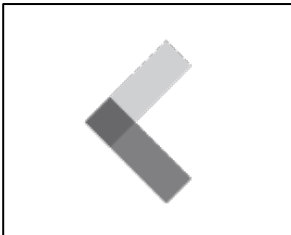
Religion / Memoir

Editor: Keren Baltzer**Rights:** World**Co-Agents:** Christian**Status:** Manuscript May 2023**EVEN AFTER EVERYTHING: *Finding Ourselves in the Sacred Story of the Christian Year*****by Stephanie Duncan Smith**

For anyone searching to make sense of life's defining before and afters, **EVEN AFTER EVERYTHING** looks to the liturgical year as a way of finding and reorienting ourselves within its sacred seasons, reminding us that there is a time for everything and we are never truly alone.

Stephanie Duncan Smith has made a career expertly editing other authors' writings, and now for the first time, she shares her own powerful story of finding hope and joy after the darkness of loss. Through the Christian liturgical year, Duncan Smith illuminates a full circle of love, loss, and liminality, holding space for the full spectrum of the human experience.

Stephanie Duncan Smith is an executive editor for Baker Books, with previous leadership roles at *Relevant* magazine and HarperCollins. She leads a popular Substack email newsletter community called SLANT LETTER, for writers looking to deepen their craft and tend to the soul of their work, with over 6k email subscribers. Duncan Smith completed her masters in theology from Western Theology Seminary, where she was the two-time winner of the Frederick Buechner Excellence in Writing award.

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Self-Help / Christian Living

Editor: Becky Nesbitt**Rights:** World**Co-Agents:** Christian**Status:** Manuscript October 2023**HERE****by Lydia Sohn**

HERE pushes back against our age of constant reinvention and the cultural message that we should do whatever it takes to get where we want to go. Instead, its message is the opposite: stay. Stay right here and cultivate the immense potential and beauty that lies within your current circumstances. Drawing on a variety of spiritual teachers across different faith traditions, **HERE** inspires readers to work to both embrace and transform their circumstances with commitment and stability—in order that they might find true contentment right where they are.

Lydia Sohn is a writer and a minister, currently serving as the Senior Pastor of Walnut United Methodist Church.



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House & Home /
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SACRED SPACES: *Everyday People and the Beautiful Homes Created Out of Their Trials, Healing, and Victories*

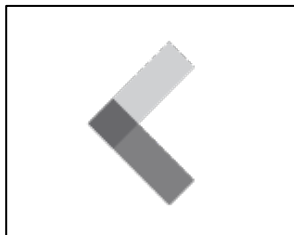
By Carley Summers

A gorgeous photography collection of home interiors and profiles of the people who have transformed these spaces into sanctuaries coupled with practical guidance on how to transform your home into a sacred setting.

Before she became an internationally renowned designer, Carley Summers suffered from alcoholism and addiction, spending nights in jails and ERs due to crises and health scares. Summers knows firsthand the importance of a warm and inviting home. As someone who celebrates recovery today, Summers uses her life and craft as a designer to ensure that the homes she photographs and designs are comforting, healing spaces to live and grow in.

Featuring people from around the world through Summers' photography, **SACRED SPACES** uncovers the true depth behind each home: the brokenness, the hurt, and the healing it took for these people to create a sacred space that set them free. This collection of beautifully shot interiors alongside the vulnerable stories of their homeowners invites readers to dream of what their own sacred spaces could be. And for all those seeking a personal refuge in a world fraught with struggle and heartache, this collection is a balm for the weary soul.

Carley Summers is an interior designer and photographer. She studied art and graduated with a fine arts degree focused on photography and painting. With interior photography, Carley helps clients and brands narrate their stories.



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BETWEEN TWO TRAILERS: *A Memoir of Looking for Home in Flyover Country*

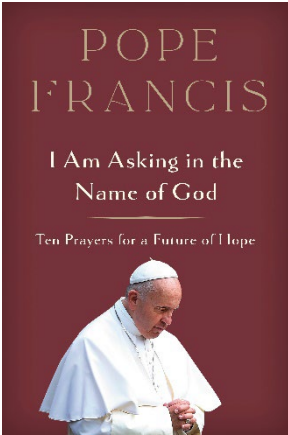
By J. Dana Trent

BETWEEN TWO TRAILERS is a harrowing-yet-absurd literary memoir about making peace with the people and places that shape us. With a strong narrative voice and storytelling, **BETWEEN TWO TRAILERS** helps readers who are ashamed of their past come to terms with it while cultivating empathy for themselves, their families, and their roots. This book shows how we move from regret and injury to fulfillment and repair. How do you go home when home is full of pain? How do you return to a place that is triggering? How do you reconcile: "I came from these people—but I cannot talk to them."

Set in Dana, Indiana, this is the true story of a little girl who sought to be the daughter both her parents wanted: "Budgie" a drug lord's heir and "Revy" a debutante's minister. The author escaped flyover country to attend Duke University, become a professor for at-risk students and an ambivalent female Southern Baptist minister —only to realize that her authentic identities—and her greatest gifts—come from sharing these very disparate parts of herself. Ultimately, **BETWEEN TWO TRAILERS** culminates in a circuitous journey of helping Dana, Indiana establish a community center for children adversely affected by trauma—of which there are many in a little corn town food desert of 600. Through a distinctive narrative voice and filled with memorable characters who echo, this book reveals to readers all the ways in which Dana Trent tried, failed, and finally began the life-long task of returning home to face regret long enough to repair the incongruent, outrageous, scary, and shameful parts of herself.

J. Dana Trent is a graduate of Duke Divinity School and professor of World Religions and Critical Thinking at Wake Tech Community College. An ordained Baptist minister and former hospital chaplain, her work has appeared on Time.com, and in Religion News Service, Sojourners, Religion Dispatches, and The Christian Century.

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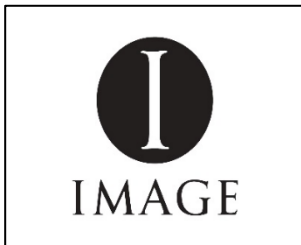
I AM ASKING IN THE NAME OF GOD: *Ten Prayers for a Future of Hope* by Pope Francis

This is the long-awaited, beloved Pope Francis' prayers for the ten most pressing issues the world is facing today, inspiring action to radically unify humanity in hope for a peaceful future. In his most challenging and evocative book yet, **I'M ASKING IN THE NAME OF GOD** is Pope Francis's reflections on ten vital issues the world is facing today. This unflinching and inspiring work celebrates the tenth anniversary since Francis' papal election and is an all-encompassing book of his hopes and dreams for the Church and the world.

Pope Francis is the first Latin American to be elected to the chair of Peter. Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio in Buenos Aires, Argentina, he was ordained as a priest in 1969. He served as head of the Society of Jesus in Argentina from 1973 to 1979. In 1998 he became the archbishop of Buenos Aires, and in 2001 a cardinal. Following the resignation of his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI, on February 28, 2013, the conclave elected Bergoglio, who chose the papal name Francis in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi.

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IN THE COURTS OF THREE POPES: *An American Lawyer and Diplomat in the Last Absolute Monarchy of the West* by Mary Ann Glendon

A timely, intimate look into the Vatican and its popes—and the powers at play—from Harvard Law professor and bestselling author of *A WORLD MADE NEW* (Random House, 2001).

In her book **IN THE COURTS OF THREE POPES**, Harvard professor Mary Ann Glendon gives readers a rare window into the political life of the Holy See through her first hand account of working with Popes John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis as each endeavored to lead the Church into the modern world. In the process, Glendon sheds light on some of the most vexing issues in the Catholic Church today, from the work to protect women's rights internationally, to responding to clergy sexual abuse, to the corruption of the Vatican Bank and Roman Curia. Readers will see a side of popes and prelates rarely seen from Glendon's account of these three papacies, and they will be inspired by her efforts to share in the Holy See's work for a better Church and a better world.

Mary Ann Glendon is the Learned Hand Professor of Law at Harvard Law School and a former United States Ambassador to the Holy See. She teaches and writes on bioethics, comparative constitutional law, property, and human rights in international law.

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Non-Fiction



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Jennie Allen

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Jennie Allen is the founder of IF:Gathering and author of the *New York Times* bestselling author of *GET OUT OF YOUR HEAD* (over 1 million copies sold!), *FIND YOUR PEOPLE*, *MADE FOR THIS*, *ANYTHING*, and *NOTHING TO PROVE*. A speaker at national events, she is a passionate leader, following God's call to catalyze a generation to live what they believe. Jennie earned a master's in biblical studies from Dallas Theological Seminary.

We have another nonfiction work signed up from Jennie for February 2025 as well as a Young Reader's edition of *FIND YOUR PEOPLE* in June 2024.

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UNTANGLE YOUR EMOTIONS: *Naming What You Feel and Knowing What to Do About It*

In her next book, *New York Times* bestselling author Jennie Allen helps readers understand the messy tangle of emotions within. Your emotions are not something to suppress or ignore. They are meant to be felt, examined, and shared—and in this revolutionary book, you'll learn how embracing healthy relationships with your emotions can bring freedom and healing in every area of your life.

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September 2024

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Religion / Devotional

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STOP THE SPIRAL DEVOTIONAL: *100 Days of Breaking Free from Negative Thoughts*

New York Times bestselling author Jennie Allen offers Christian women a daily motivational resource for transforming their mindset and their lives by interrupting their spiraling thoughts and realizing their God-given power to think differently.

In Jennie Allen's search for a solution to frustration and defeat, she's learned that how we think shapes how we live, so it's crucial that we learn how to stop our spinning thoughts and refuse to fall prey to toxic thinking patterns like victimhood, anxiety, and distraction. Drawing from her *New York Times* bestselling book, Jennie invites readers into a new way of halting the spiral of toxic thoughts in this 100-day devotional, which incorporates biblical truth and recent discoveries in neuroscience to show exactly how we can fight the enemies of the mind with the truth of who God is and who He calls us to be. This two-color flexibind devotional will feature gold foil on the cover and spine.

Publishers of *GET OUT OF YOUR HEAD*: Chinese/complex: *Business Weekly*; Croatian: *Verbum*; Korean: *Duranno Ministry*; Farsi: *Koolehposhti Book Publishing*; German: *Gerth Medien*; Polish: *Wydawnictwo Esprit*; Portuguese/Brazil: *Alta Books*; Romanian: *Curtea Veche*; Slovak: *Vydavatelstvo Slovensky Tatran*; Slovene: *Druzina*; Spanish: *Origen/PRH*; Swedish: *Sjobergs*; Ukrainian: *Svichado*

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PLEASE, SORRY, THANKS.: *The Three Words that Change Everything*
 by Mark Batterson

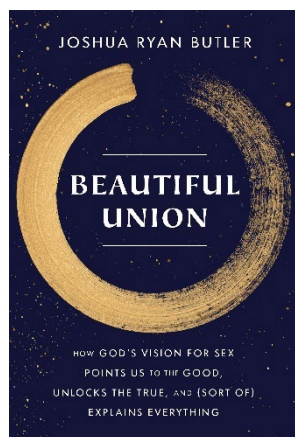
In the realm of medicine, a magic bullet is a treatment that cures quickly and easily without side effects. It's the antidote to seemingly unsolvable problems. Pastor Mark Batterson believes that the words *please*, *sorry*, and *thanks* hold similar power over many challenges in our daily lives.

These three magic words are the key to healthy relationships and successful careers. Nothing opens doors like a genuine "please." Though the words are simple and straightforward, it's not easy to make them a ready part of conversations in a world of rampant entitlement and division. But with Batterson as your guide, you can master the art of asking, the art of apologizing, and the art of appreciating as lifelong pursuits. Whether you're launching out into a new career or navigating long-established complexities in your life, it's time to harness the power of those three life-changing words and let them propel you wherever God leads you to go.

Mark Batterson is the lead pastor of National Community Church in Washington, D.C. Mark holds a doctor of ministry degree from Regent University and is the *New York Times* bestselling author of twenty-three books, including *THE CIRCLE MAKER*, *IN A PIT WITH A LION ON A SNOWY DAY*, *WHISPER*, and *WIN THE DAY*, as well as several books for children, including *THE BLESSING OF YOU*, written with his daughter Summer. His next book, *UNSUNG*, will be published in February 2024 along with a companion devotional and bible study.

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BEAUTIFUL UNION: *How God's Vision for Sex Points Us to the Good, Unlocks the True, and (Sort of) Explains Everything*
 by Joshua Ryan Butler

A powerful call for Christians to understand sex as a window into God's story of love and redemption, and a validating guide to living with authentic love in a changing culture, from influential pastor Joshua Ryan Butler. The BEAUTIFUL UNION STUDY GUIDE will be published simultaneously.

It's time to better understand God's redemptive vision for what might just be humanity's greatest obsession. In this bold book, award-winning author Joshua Ryan Butler helps modern readers rediscover the beauty of the traditional Christian theology of sex by framing it within the greater things sex is designed to point to. As our culture's public values and expressions of sexuality shift, there is a growing sense of tension between the casual way everyone seems to be "doing it" and historic teaching about the sacred beauty and dignity of the body, which affirms a vision of sex as diversity-in-union, of marriage as faithful love, and of procreation as life-giving presence. In this inspiring, provocative and surprisingly fun guide, he shows us the beauty and meaning of sexuality as part of God's story—and empowers *all* of us to live with clarity, faithfulness, insight, and love.

Joshua Ryan Butler is lead pastor of Redemption Tempe, a thriving church near Arizona State University. He is the author of the acclaimed books *THE SKELETONS IN GOD'S CLOSET* and *THE PURSUING GOD*.

His next book, *THE PARTY CRASHER: How Jesus Disrupts Politics as Usual and Redeems Our Partisan Divide*, is forthcoming in November 2023. We also have two more books signed with Joshua, forthcoming in November 2024.



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Christian Living / Calling &
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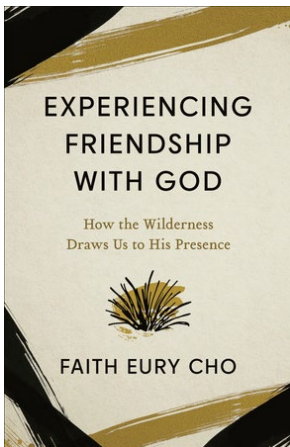
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THE COMMISSION

by Chauncéa Carothers

THE COMMISSOIN guides readers on a journey to pick up their calling, embrace their full testimony, strengthen their faith foundation, give up control and submit to God, and find practical steps to live out their "Clarion Call."

Chauncéa Carothers is a Christ-centered life coach, content creator, and creative consultant. Originally from Washington, D.C., she's currently navigating the bicoastal hustle in Los Angeles, CA.



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Religion / Personal Growth

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EXPERIENCING FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD: *How the Wilderness Draws Us to His Presence* by Faith Eury Cho

Breathing new life into the ancient wisdom of Brother Lawrence's most influential work, pastor and speaker Faith Eury Cho shows you how to build a confident friendship with Jesus that will carry you through both seasons of wilderness and seasons of abundance.

When attending church doesn't feel like a blessed life or when prayers aren't answered, and the season of waiting extends too long, how do you feel God's presence? We have all wrestled with the mysteries of living for a holy God while wandering through the wilderness of the soul.

How do you move forward during these seasons? How do you deepen your faith? Along with the wisdom of seventeenth century Brother Lawrence's *THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD*, Faith Eury Cho will equip and heighten your confidence to simply go to Jesus and build a genuine friendship. It is a life-changing pursuit because we were designed to know Him. If knowing God is your purpose, then every season of our lives will have significance—even the wilderness.

Faith Eury Cho has been a gospel preacher since she was 19-years-old. Currently, she is a pastor, a pastor's wife, writer, and an itinerant speaker. Faith is the CEO and founder of The Honor Summit, a nonprofit organization that centers Asian American women in the mission of God. Alongside her husband, Pastor David Cho, she is also the co-founder and co-pastor of Mosaic Covenant Church in NJ.



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Religion / Inspirational

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Co-Agents: Christian

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2023

DO IT ANYWAY: *Don't Give Up Before It Gets Good*

by Tasha Cobbs Leonard

A nonfiction book that inspires readers with personal stories from the author's spiritual journey and encouraging prompts to help readers to rely more deeply on our unshakeable God and step out in faith amid strong resistance.

A companion devotional will be published November 2024.

Tasha Cobbs Leonard is an American gospel musician and songwriter. She released the extended play *Grace* in 2013 with the hit lead single "Break Every Chain". The EP reached No. 61 on the Billboard charts. At the 56th Annual Grammy Awards, Cobbs won the Grammy for Best Gospel/Contemporary Christian Music Performance. She has also won 15 Stellar Awards, 3 Billboard Music Awards, and 9 Dove Awards

A children's picture book with Natasha Cobbs Leonard is planned for Spring 2025.



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Religion / Personal Growth

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Co-agents: Christian

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HEALING WHAT YOU CAN'T ERASE: *Transform Your Mental, Emotional, and Spiritual Health from the Inside Out*

by Christopher Cook

Pastor and leadership coach Christopher Cook presents a roadmap to healing from traumatic life experiences that doesn't rely on willpower, but rather on the daily transformative power of the Holy Spirit.

In life, we often feel anxious, overwhelmed, and cynical, and we don't even know why. Desperate for change, we read the right posts, buy the latest goal-setting programs, and create habits of self-care and self-improvement. We hope that with enough willpower and determination, life will get better. But often, the results are minimal and temporary at best.

Christopher Cook shares through his own experience with trauma and pain that it doesn't have to be this way. A life characterized by wholeness begins when you receive healing for a broken spirit and a wounded soul. That transformation can never occur in and of ourselves, whether by desire, determination, or willpower-driven self-help tactics. It happens through the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Christopher Cook is a writer and host of the popular podcast *Win Today with Christopher Cook*. He has a bachelor's degree in business and completed five additional years of ministry training school with two years specifically focused on counseling.



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PRACTICING THE WAY: *Be With Jesus. Become Like Him. Live As He Did.*

by John Mark Comer

We all have experienced unwanted parts of our spiritual journey: distance from God, gaps in our character, and the fear that our lives will be trivial and empty. Jesus is calling us into more. Calling us to be shaped in his likeness. To experience his abundance of life. But how, practically, will we do that? By becoming his apprentice. By practicing the Way.

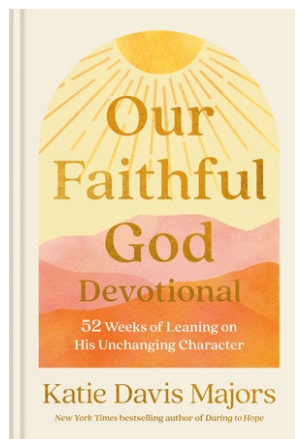
Outlining the timeless process of being with Jesus, becoming like him, and living as he did, bestselling author and pastoral voice John Mark Comer outlines God's vision for the journey of our soul. In this landmark work, he outlines his core philosophy of spiritual formation, drawing together rich cultural insight, deep biblical teaching, and an honest and hopeful view of the potential of each human soul.

John Mark Comer is the founding pastor of Bridgetown Church in Portland, Oregon, a teacher and writer with *Practicing the Way*, and the bestselling author of *THE RUTHLESS ELIMINATION OF HURRY* and *LIVE NO LIES* plus four previous books.

Another book from John Mark Comer, *YOUR LIFE IS THE PERSON YOU BECOME*, is forthcoming in October 2025.

Publishers of John Mark Comer: Chinese/complex: *OutSide the Box*; Hungarian: *Immanuel Alapítvány*; Indonesia: *Immanuel Publishing House*; Portuguese/Brazil: *Alta Books*; Slovakian: *GD IDENTITY*; Spanish: *Origen/PRHGE*; UK/BC: *Hodder Faith*; Dutch: *Jongbloed*; German: *SCM-Verlag*; Polish: *Szaron Grzegorz Przeliorz*; Swedish: *Sjobergs Forlag AB*; Korean: *Duranno*

Rights sold: Dutch: *Jongbloed*; Spanish: *PRHGE*; UK/BC: *SPCK*



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OUR FAITHFUL GOD DEVOTIONAL: *52 Weeks of Leaning on His Unchanging Character*

By Katie Davis Majors

The bestselling author of *KISSES FOR KATIE* takes you on a journey through Scripture to discover more about who God is and how much He loves you, in 52 weeks of power-packed devotional readings.

In this unique five-day-a-week devotional with more than 250 entries, you'll spend four days each week reading God's Word and reflecting on what each Bible passage reveals about a specific aspect of His character, such as His mercy or His work behind the scenes of our lives. On the fifth day Katie shares her insights on what she's discovered to be true in her own faith journey and encourages you to go deeper in your personal relationship with the unchanging God who sees you, who loves you, and who holds each day securely in His hands.

Katie Davis Majors is the bestselling author of *SAFE ALL ALONG*, *KISSES FROM KATIE* and *DARING TO HOPE*. The mother of 13 adopted girls and two little boys, she is also founder of Amazima Ministries, an organization that cares for vulnerable children in Uganda. Katie and her husband, Benji, continue to invest their lives to educate and empower the people of Uganda with God's love, helping provide education, food, medical care, vocational training, and spiritual discipleship.

Her next book is forthcoming in 2025.

Publishers of Katie Davis Majors: German/*SCM-Verlag*; Korean/*Duranno*; UK/BC: *Authentic Media*



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Religion / Inspirational

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LITURGIES FOR WHOLENESS

by Audrey Elledge and Elizabeth Moore

From the authors of *LITURGIES FOR HOPE*, a new volume of 60 contemporary liturgies. These beautifully penned prayers will help readers lay down their fears, losses, and brokenness as they engage the messier, lonelier concerns that aren't usually addressed from the pulpit: mental health struggles, seasons of waiting, hunger for delight, cultivating imagination, and more. Perfect for daily inspiration, each entry is an invitation for readers to articulate their concerns and draw on the truth of God's promises.

LITURGIES FOR WHOLENESS is at once timeless and perfect for this particular moment, offering the words to express our longings, shore up our prayers, and reorient our hope.

Audrey Elledge is a graduate of Baylor University and Vanderbilt University. She lives in New York, where she works at SparkNotes and serves at Church of the City New York. Audrey is the recipient of the Academy of American Poets Prize and the Virginia Beall Poetry Prize

Elizabeth Moore is a graduate of Mississippi College and the Columbia Publishing Course at Oxford University. Born and raised in Louisiana, she now lives in New York, where she works at Penguin Random House and serves with the Church of the City New York creative team. Elizabeth has contributed articles to *Timshel*, *Transformed*, *Windrose*, *Belong*, and *Portico* magazine.

Publisher of *LITURGIES FOR HOPE*: UK/BC: *SPCK*



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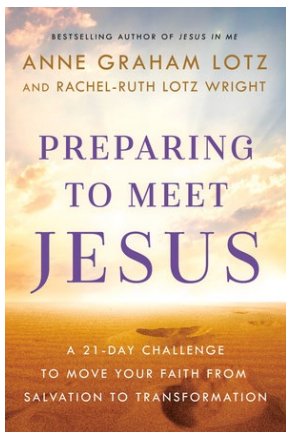
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Religion / Inspirational

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ARISE AND SHINE: Reflecting the Light of Christ in a Broken, Hurting World **by Allyson Golden**

A nonfiction book that encourages and empowers women to be a light for Christ amid the darkness, brokenness, hurt, and pain in this world. It will help the reader see how she is purposefully created for this time and place, and to rise from defeat and darkness and stand victorious in Christ.

Allyson Golden is the author and creator of *WORDS ARE GOLDEN*, faith encouragement through words and art. Allyson is a big fan of Jesus! She loves iced coffee, sunshine, and flowers. But most of all, she loves cheering you on to cheer others on! A full-time pediatric nurse, she lives with her husband Michael in San Diego, where they enjoy spending time with their community and hosting people in their home.



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Devotional

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PREPARING TO MEET JESUS: A 21-Day Challenge to Move from Salvation to Transformation by Anne Graham Lotz and Rachel-Ruth Lotz Wright

The biblical book of Genesis describes how Abraham sent his servant to find a suitable bride for his son Isaac—and how that servant found a woman of remarkable character, one whose heart was fully prepared for her bridegroom. That same story is an allegory of how God seeks a bride for his Son Jesus, looking for those who are wholly devoted to him.

With this in mind, Anne Graham Lotz and Rachel-Ruth Lotz Wright explore how the characteristics of Rebekah point to principles for our own spiritual health. This twenty-one-day challenge, with prompts for reflection and prayer, will guide you in examining your life for places that need the transforming touch of God. Each reading will inspire you to ready yourself for the day you meet Jesus by choosing humility, selflessness, generosity, and other key qualities that reflect a heart given over entirely to him.

Anne Graham Lotz—called "the best preacher in the family" by her father, Billy Graham—is an international speaker and a best-selling, award-winning author of numerous books, including *JESUS IN ME*, *JUST GIVE ME JESUS*, and *THE LIGHT OF HIS PRESENCE*. Anne is the president of AnGeL Ministries in Raleigh, North Carolina, and the former chairperson for the National Day of Prayer.

Rachel-Ruth Lotz Wright is the coauthor, with her mom, OF *JESUS FOLLOWERS*. She serves on the board of directors for AnGeL Ministries, in addition to holding the position of Ministry Teaching Associate and chairing the weekly prayer team that undergirds her mother's ministry. A graduate of Baylor University, she teaches an online weekly Bible study that draws thousands of people globally.

Publishers of Anne Graham Lotz: Afrikaans: *PRH South Africa*; Finnish: *Patmos*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Alta Books*; Spanish: *Origen/PRH*; UK/BC: *Authentic Media*



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DEFIANT JOY: Find the Hope to Light Your Way, Even in the Darkness by Jennifer Michelle Greenberg

A nonfiction book that uses the Jennifer Michelle Greenberg's personal experience and biblical teaching to lead readers to a richer understanding of countercultural Christian joy, particularly in circumstances of difficulty or uncertainty.

Jennifer Michelle Greenberg is a recording artist and the author of *NOT FORSAKEN: A Story of Life After Abuse: How Faith Brought One Woman from Victim to Survivor* (The Good Book Company, 2019) lives in Texas with her family.



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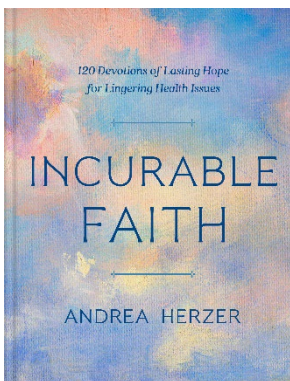
LOVING YOUR BLACK NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

by Chanté Griffin

A fresh look at what it means to be a trustworthy ally for your Black family, friends, and coworkers. Jesus calls us to love our neighbors, not just when tragedy hits and not with tweets and hashtags. All the time, and with tangible actions.

In **LOVING YOUR BLACK NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF**, Chanté Griffin gives practical guidance for how to replace well-meaning but superficial words with deep, actionable love for our Black Neighbors. Expounding on the Black experience in America, Griffin draws parallels with the biblical story of the Good Samaritan to highlight the responsibility of every Jesus follower to demonstrate God's deep love for Black people. Historical and personal stories illustrate the vital importance of five lenses through which African Americans as a racial-cultural group give, receive, and see love: Honor, The spoken word, God-gifts, and The Spirit of Love. By equipping us to love through these lenses, as well as through reading exercises, prayers, and reflection questions, Griffin leads Christians into a spiritual and relational transformation that produces a true love for our Black Neighbor, their culture, and their community.

Chanté Griffin is a writer and entertainer living in Los Angeles. Chanté's socially and soul-conscious work centers the intersection of race, faith, and culture. She's a contributing writer for *Faithfully Magazine*, and she's written for *EBONY*, *The Root*, *The Washington Post*, *The Huffington Post*, *TV Guide*, and *The LA Times*. Chanté is a VONA (Voices of Our Nations) alumnus* and a 2019 ARC (Arts Religion Culture) Emerging Leader Fellow. When she's not writing, she's either creating comedic content about her natural hair journey for the gram @kinky_coily_comedy, auditioning for a new TV show or commercial, salsa dancing, or praying. Oh and sometimes, she tweets @yougochante.



Multnomah

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Religion / Devotional

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Rights: World

Co-agents: Christian

Status: PDF of galley
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INCURABLE FAITH: 120 Devotions of Lasting Hope for Lingering Health Issues

by Andrea Herzer

"A beautiful invitation to turn to God and His Word for a peace that no pain or diagnosis can take away."
—**Chrystal Evans Hurst**

Discover the riches of abundant life that pain and illness can never take away in this encouraging devotional full of hard-won insights and powerful biblical inspiration.

In **INCURABLE FAITH**, Andrea Herzer writes from the midst of her own suffering with chronic pain and cancer to give you hope wherever you are on your journey with medical challenges. Whether you are facing a new diagnosis, mysterious pain, or any other illness, you can go from being a victim to being victorious through God's sustaining love.

INCURABLE FAITH is a guide to following Jesus through the difficulties of illness to find an abundance of peace, hope, and strength, even on the hardest days. Most of all, it helps you find blessed joy—a joy not dependent upon health or circumstances.

Andrea Herzer is a writer who helps those with health issues discover the beautiful riches of God's sustaining love. Although she navigates life with debilitating pain and cancer, she loves to share her infectious joy and incurable faith in Christ. Andrea lives in Central Texas with her remarkable husband Mark; they are blessed with three grown children.



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Religion / Women's
Interests

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Co-agents: Christian
Status: Manuscript July
2023

AT THE RIGHT TIME: *100 Devotions for Trusting God While You Wait*
by Ashley Hetherington

AT THE RIGHT TIME is a modern devotional that offers encouragement and guidance for women who want to trust God with their lives right where they are.

Ashley Hetherington is an author, blogger, and content creator with a following on YouTube, TikTok, and Instagram. Her blog *The Honey Pot* aims to guide young women on their biblical journeys to becoming their best selves and finding community.

We have another nonfiction work signed up from Ashley for February 2025.



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Religion / Personal Growth

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Rights: World
Co-agents: Christian
Status: Materials
estimated January 2024

THE CONFIDENT CREATIVE: *An Invitation to Embrace Your God-Given Gifts for His Glory*
by Jena Holliday

From the beloved artist behind the picture book *A SPOONFUL OF FAITH* (HarperCollins) comes an invitation for creatives to experience freedom and delight as they learn to trust God with their own unique gifts.

With thoughtful stories, powerful reflections, hand lettering, and beautifully illustrated artwork, Jena Holliday invites readers to discover how they uniquely reflect the heart of a creative God. Using the lessons she's learned along the way, Jena encourages readers to overcome the pressure to perform, face the fears of failure and imposter syndrome, believe in the gifts that God has given, step forward in creativity, and delight in the fruit that comes from freely creating as an act of worship.

THE CONFIDENT CREATIVE is the ultimate invitation to offer your God-given gifts back to the Creator in joyful worship. To yield to the One who Created all, and allow your art, creativity, and life to be a love offering.

Jena Holliday is a full-time artist, writer, entrepreneur, and storyteller from Minnesota.

This is the first in a three-book deal, with two companion titles forthcoming in September 2024 and March 2025.

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6
in x 8 in)
Pages: 224
Illustrations: 4C
illustrations throughout
Price: \$24.00



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April 2024

Hardcover

Religion / Spiritual Growth

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Rights: World

Co-agents: Christian

Status: Manuscript July 2023

DREAMING WITH GOD: *Understanding God's Guidance for Greater Purpose and Stronger Faith*

by Stephanie Ike

This motivational book weaves biblical stories, scientific examples, and personal experience to provide practical insight for discerning the voice of God in dreams.

Stephanie Ike serves as the executive pastor of The Potter's House at One LA in Los Angeles, California. She is the author of *MOVING FORWARD: Biblical Teachings for Walking in Purpose* and the co-host and executive producer of the podcast series, *The Same Room*.



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Co-agents: Christian

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GET OUT OF YOUR WAY: *Break Free of Negative Self-Talk and Step Fully Into Your Calling*
by Earl McClellan

In this manifesto of courage and purpose, a popular speaker and pastor offers the guidance you need to move beyond insecurity and negative self-talk and live out your God-given purpose with confidence. Earl passed the spotlight to others whenever possible—until God challenged him to stop sidestepping his calling.

In **GET OUT OF YOUR WAY**, Earl tells how he learned to get out of his own way, and break free from the prisons of insecurity, negative mindsets, and confusion, and walk in freedom and confidence. With an encouraging and engaging style, Earl urges readers to stop disqualifying themselves from the opportunities God has called them to and instead, discover the freedom and joy of leaning into their unique giftings. Drawing inspiration from the unlikely leader Gideon, this book will give readers practical wisdom to recognize when God is moving them to step into the spotlight or pass to another, when to speak up and when to listen up, and when get out of their own way and obey. For each of us who knows we have more to offer—more leadership, more boldness, more goodness to give the world—but are unsure how to start living it, Pastor Earl McClellan offers tangible principles to help us never worry again that we've missed a chance to live out our calling, and instead confidently trust the voice of God in our lives.

Earl McClellan is the founder and lead pastor of Shoreline City Church in Texas with locations emerging around the world. Under his engaging leadership and “come as you are” teaching style, Shoreline City has grown from 15 people to almost 4,000 in just six short years.

We have another nonfiction work signed up from Earl for April 2025.

**Waterbrook**

February 2024
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Religion / Inspirational

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Rights: World
Co-agents: Christian
Status: Manuscript May 2023

THE NEW ROYALS: *Overcoming Insecurities to Become the Woman God Says You Are*
by Oneka McClellan

Beloved speaker and pastor of the influential church Shoreline City, Oneka McClellan casts a bold vision of women confident in their God-given value and united in the call to bring goodness and healing to the world. Women are called to give life to powerful things. We know this is true because God entrusted a woman to bring Jesus into the world. Yet so many of us are held down by insecurity, doubt, and fear. It's time for a revolution. It's time for women to stand confident in their God-given worth and call out the same value in those around them.

Influential speaker and pastor Oneka McClellan reminds readers that like Mary, God has uniquely positioned and gifted each woman today to bring goodness into their lives, families, and communities. With humor, engaging stories, and inspiring truths from Scripture, McClellan equips readers to live out their true value. For every woman who has ever wondered about her purpose, **THE NEW ROYALS** will ignite hope and courage to help them walk in authority and power to bring heaven to this desperate world.

Oneka McClellan is a writer, speaker, and lead pastor of Shoreline City Church located in Texas and Antigua, Guatemala, alongside her husband Earl.

We have another nonfiction work signed up from Oneka for January 2025.

**WaterBrook**

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Hardcover
Religion / Christian Living /
Social Issues

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Co-agents: Christian
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BROWN FACES, WHITE SPACES: *Confronting Systemic Racism to Bring Healing and Restoration*
by Latasha Morrison

In her award-winning *New York Times* bestseller *BE THE BRIDGE* (WaterBrook, 2019), racial justice advocate Latasha Morrison challenged readers to become active participants in the work of racial reconciliation. Now in **BROWN FACES, WHITE SPACES** she equips them to engage more deeply in rooting out the systems that perpetuate racial disparity and building a society that serves everybody better.

In this compelling look at the landscape of American culture, Morrison applies her talent for powerfully connecting the truth of the past with the reality of our present as she invites us to wrestle honestly with the disparities that negatively impact the daily experience of Brown and Black people. Drawing on real-life encounters, she examines the inequities woven into institutions from the legal system to entertainment to housing to churches, and considers their impact on both individuals and society as a whole. Morrison doesn't just identify the problems; she illuminates a path toward lasting change, highlighting how each of us can play a role in building a better future where all can thrive.

Latasha Morrison is a bridge-builder, reconciler, and a compelling voice in the fight for racial justice. Tasha has spoken nationwide at many events including IF: Gathering and Justice Conference. A native of North Carolina, Tasha earned degrees in human development and business leadership. She founded Be the Bridge to inspire and equip ambassadors of racial reconciliation.

We have another book signed up from LaTasha Morrison for May 2025.



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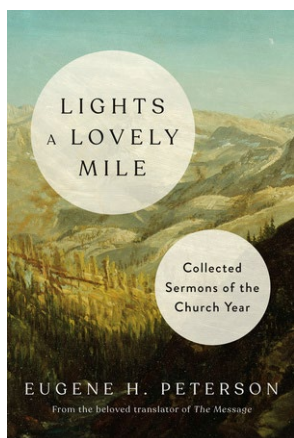
September 2023

LOVE LIFE SOBER

by Christy Osborne

This faith-driven book combines scientific data about alcohol's effect on the body, insights into our subconscious beliefs about alcohol, and encouraging and practical tips in this 30-day, alcohol-free journey to help readers reset their drinking habits, find more freedom, and inspire their faith.

Born in Los Angeles and based in London, **Christy Osborne** runs the sobriety and life coaching business Love Life Sober with Christy. She co-hosts the 'But Jesus Drank Wine' & Other Stores That Kept Us Stuck podcast with life coach Meade Shirley.



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Co-Agents: Christian

Status: Manuscript

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LIGHTS A LOVELY MILE: *Collected Sermons of the Church Year*

by Eugene H. Peterson

Long before the publication of his acclaimed books or iconic translation of THE MESSAGE, Eugene H. Peterson faithfully preached to the small congregation of Christ Our King Presbyterian Church in Bel Air, Maryland. As the seasons passed, with their fasts and feasts, his words marked time and cultivated souls.

Now you can join Eugene for a year of his most compelling never-before-published preaching. Following the calendar of the Christian year, from the darkness of Advent to the light of Epiphany, the wilderness of Lent to the celebration of Easter, the fire of Pentecost to the everyday glory of Ordinary Time, these remarkable sermons mark the highs and lows of the Christian life, pointing us to the eternity behind our experience of time.

Edited carefully to preserve his trademark wit and wisdom, this collection gives readers unprecedented insight into Eugene H. Peterson's preaching and pastoral life—and inspires us to live his "long obedience in the same direction" through all the seasons of our own lives.

Eugene H. Peterson, translator of *The Message Bible*, authored more than thirty books, including THIS HALLELUJAH BANQUET, EVERY STEP AN ARRIVAL, AS KINGFISHERS CATCH FIRE (all published by WaterBrook), and the spiritual classics RUN WITH THE HORSES and A LONG OBEDIENCE IN THE SAME DIRECTION (both published by IV Press). He was founding pastor of Christ Our King Presbyterian Church in Bel Air, Maryland, where he and his wife, Jan, served for twenty-nine years.

A book on creativity is forthcoming in Spring 2025.

Publishers of Eugene Peterson: Chinese/complex: *Campus Evangelical Fellowship*; Korean: *Blessed People Publishing*; Portuguese/Brazil: *Editores Vida*; UK/BC: *Hodder & Stoughton*



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THE LOVE EVERYBODY WANTS: *What You're Looking For Is Already Yours* by Madison Prewett Troutt

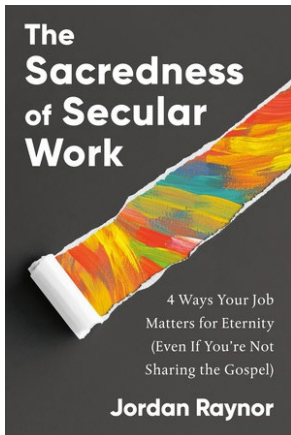
The Bachelor finalist and bestselling author Madison Prewett Troutt shows you how to set your heart right with God, love yourself, and cultivate deep relationships amid our culture's shallow ideas about romance.

So many of us believe that we are only as good as our relationship status. We find ourselves desperately looking for love, hoping that another person can complete us or fill a void in our lives. In **THE LOVE EVERYBODY WANTS**, Madison Prewett helps us see our longings and experiences in a new light. She shows us that the love we are looking for is already ours—and it doesn't come in the form of a boyfriend or spouse, but rather in the form of a Savior. Madi helps us see the depths of God's love for us, so we then can learn to love ourselves. And when we get those two relationships squared away, we have a healthy foundation for our other relationships—whether that's fostering a deep community of friends, better connections with family, or a romantic relationship.

This isn't a manual for how to get a boyfriend or a manifesto for getting married. It is a book about finding the love that God created. That love lasts, that love changes everything ... and that is the love that everybody wants.

Madison Prewett Troutt, bestselling author of *MADE FOR THIS MOMENT* (Zondervan), is a TV personality with a growing platform as a traveling speaker and social media influencer. In 2020, she was a finalist on Season 24 of ABC's *The Bachelor*.

We have another book forthcoming in September 2025.



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THE SACREDNESS OF SECULAR WORK: *4 Ways Your Job Matters for Eternity (Even If You're Not Sharing the Gospel)* by Jordan Raynor

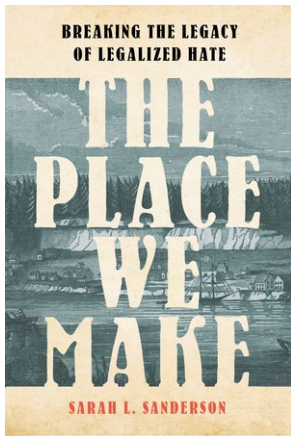
The Bible tells us our labor is not in vain. But it is exceedingly hard to see *how* that is true when we've grown disillusioned by the tedium of our jobs and the assumption that missional work is the only sacred work. **THE SACREDNESS OF SECULAR WORK** presents a compelling case that the time, craft, and care of the business owner, the bank teller, or stay-at-home parent matters more to God than we think.

Bestselling author Jordan Raynor gives an exponentially bigger view of the gospel and heaven, and what that means for our work lives. Through a fascinating look at the narrative of Scripture, Raynor shows how all types of work matter because: Good work brings God pleasure, Our work physically lasts into Eternity, Our work reveals God's coming Kingdom, and Work makes disciples

Raynor equips readers with engaging stories and practical steps for accomplishing tasks—no matter how small—with quality, excellence, and integrity. With this biblically redemptive perspective, readers will find confident hope that the work they do carries great purpose and meaning for eternity.

Bestselling author **Jordan Raynor** serves as the executive chairman of Threshold 360, a venture-backed tech startup which he previously ran as CEO following a string of successful ventures of his own.

Publishers of Jordan Raynor: Chinese (complex): *Taosheng Publishing House*; German: *Permission Verlag*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Editores Pilgrim*



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THE PLACE WE MAKE: *Breaking the Legacy of Legalized Hate*

by Sarah L. Sanderson

Summer, 1851. Racial tensions in America were higher than ever. In Oregon City, one biracial man named Jacob Vanderpool found himself in the crosshairs of this racist discrimination. His “crime”? Breaking Oregon’s Exclusion Law, which banned people of African descent from the Oregon Territory. A group of White men, unresisted by local pastor Ezra Fisher, succeeded in exiling Jacob Vanderpool from Oregon, making him the first and only person ever convicted under this racist law.

THE PLACE WE MAKE examines how past actions shape present injustice. As a White woman from Oregon (whose Portland has been called “the Whitest City in America”), and, in a surprise twist discovered in her research, a distant relation of the pastor complicit in Vanderpool’s prosecution, Sanderson confronts her ancestors’ overt racism, and her own unconscious biases. She reveals a gripping story far bigger than one small town, finding principles to help us all live a more just and faithful life. **THE PLACE WE MAKE** is a historical inquiry, a memoir, a lament, and a call to action for anyone concerned with faith and justice, asking: What is this place we inhabit? And how can we begin to change it?

Sarah L. Sanderson is a creative writing teacher. She speaks regularly and holds a master of fine arts in creative nonfiction from Seattle Pacific University, a master in teaching from Seattle University, and a bachelor of English and philosophy from Wheaton College.



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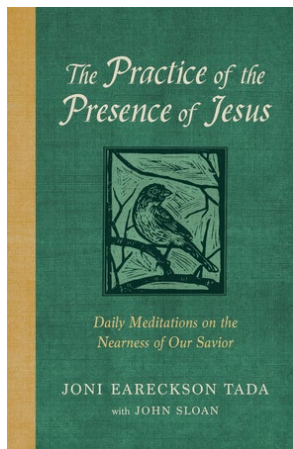
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October 2023

CHRISTMAS REDISCOVERED: *Exploring the Nativity Story You Thought You Knew*

by AJ Sherrill

A biblically-rich and culturally-informed reconsideration of the beauty and meaning of the traditional Christmas story, to encourage a pursuit of deep Christian understanding, belief, and worship for readers related to the holiday.

AJ Sherrill has more than twenty years of experience as a pastor, including as lead pastor at Mars Hill Bible Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is now lead pastor at St. Peter's Church in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. He is an adjunct professor at Fuller Theological Seminary, where he teaches popular courses on transformational preaching and the Enneagram. Sherrill receives many speaking requests to lead Enneagram workshops across the country and is the author of **THE ENNEAGRAM FOR SPIRITUAL FORMATION** and **BEING WITH GOD** (both with Brazos Press).



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THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF JESUS: *Daily Meditations on the Nearness of Our Savior* by Joni Eareckson Tada with John Sloan

Brother Lawrence lived through the drudgeries of kitchen duty during the 1600s while Paris roiled in the waters of a turbulent France. Joni suffered a terrible accident which broke her neck, an accident which resulted in her turning from a life of distant faith to a life as a Christian who has had a worldwide influence through her experience of suffering with grace. In their lives, they both found the secret to peace, joy, and a close personal walk with God.

THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF JESUS ushers in wisdom from these two saints, more than 400 years apart, to teach and inspire you to find and experience the nearness of God in your life. Through rich devotional content from Brother Lawrence's *The Practice of the Presence of God* accompanied by original art and never-before-published insight from Joni that both complements his excerpts, you'll experience a unique blend of past and present wisdom designed to teach you how to live 24/7 in the peace of the Shepherd.

A diving accident in 1967 left **Joni Eareckson Tada** a quadriplegic in a wheelchair at 17 years old. After two years of rehabilitation, she emerged with new skills and a fresh determination to help others in similar situations. She is the author of more than 45 books, a radio host, and a sought-after fine art painter.



WaterBrook

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Hardcover

Religion / Spiritual Growth

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UNTITLED MICHAEL TODD by Michael Todd

The next book from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *CRAZY FAITH* (WaterBrook, 2021) and *RELATIONSHIP GOALS* (WaterBrook, 2020).

A study guide will accompany this title in October 2023, and we have several more books under contract with Michael Todd to come.

Pastor Michael Todd wants you to know that, no matter how badly you've messed up, no matter what hardship or pain you've experienced, God is not done with you yet. Through perspective-shifting insights gained by overcoming his own significant challenges, Todd offers the encouragement you need to move beyond your regrets and to overcome the lie that you're less than, not good enough, or somehow unworthy because of sin, trauma, damage, or a stain in your past.

Through clear, candid teaching, this book will give you the tools you need to see yourself the way God sees you and experience his powerful purpose at work in your life. You'll learn how to get unstuck from your past and step into the big, bold future God has planned for you.

Michael Todd is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *RELATIONSHIP GOALS* and the lead pastor of Transformation Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Michael's driving passion is re-presenting God to the lost and found for transformation in Christ.

Publishers of Michael Todd: Chinese (complex): *Maple House*; Dutch: *Jongbloed Uitgeverij*; Estonian: *Million Mindset*; French: *Editions Vida*; Hungarian: *Immanuel*; Norwegian: *Agape Forlag*; Polish: *MT Biznes*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Editores Alta*; Russian: *AST*; Spanish: *PRH*; Swedish: *Livets Ords Forlag*; Ukrainian: *Golden City Publishing*; Vietnamese: *Saigon Books*



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NARROW PATH, SPACIOUS LIFE

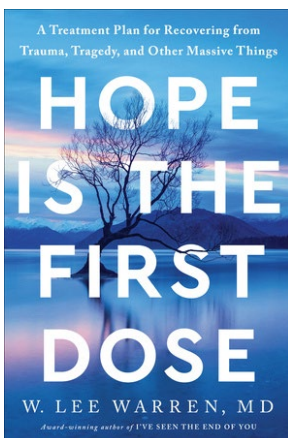
by Rich Villodas

This next book from Rich Villodas is a book of pastoral spiritual formation from a broad Evangelical perspective, focusing on a contemporary view of the Sermon on the Mount and its implications for spiritual and social life today.

Rich Villodas is the author of *GOOD AND BEAUTIFUL AND KIND* (WaterBrook, 2022) and *THE DEEPLY FORMED LIFE* (WaterBrook, 2020), winner of the *Christianity Today* Book Award, and the Brooklyn-born lead pastor of New Life Fellowship, a large, multiracial church with more than seventy-five countries represented in Elmhurst, Queens.

We have another forthcoming project from Rich Villodas, Jr., *FIRST-HAND SPIRITUALITY*, set for Summer 2026.

Publishers of Rich Villodas: Korean: *Korea Inter Varsity Press*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Associação Editora Inspire*



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 Hardcover
 Religion / Inspirational

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HOPE IS THE FIRST DOSE: A Treatment Plan for Recovering from Trauma, Tragedy, and Other Massive Things

by W. Lee Warren, MD

At one time or another, we all encounter trauma that causes tremendous pain and a sense of being lost or out of control. Neurosurgeon Dr. Lee Warren knows this firsthand, as losing his nineteen-year-old son in an unspeakable tragedy spiraled him into a pit of despair. Dr. Warren's unique perspective as a medical doctor treating fatal and near-fatal illness runs alongside his unsparing, highly personal description of his own tragic loss. But he'll show you how God pulled him and his wife, Lisa, out of the horrible pit and set their feet on solid rock again—and how God can do the same for you in the wake of your own desperate grief and hopeless resignation.

HOPE IS THE FIRST DOSE offers tangible hope and tender empathy, no matter what you're facing. Whatever happened, it doesn't have to be the end. Let Dr. Warren help you find your way back to hopefulness, faith, peace, and a happiness that will be different than the one you knew before. But you won't travel alone. The first dose is hope—and it comes in the form of grace, from the skilled hands of the Great Physician.

W. Lee Warren, MD, is an award-winning writer, brain surgeon, podcaster, patent-holding inventor, and Iraq War veteran. He is the author of *I'VE SEEN THE END OF YOU* (WaterBrook, 2020)—winner of the ECPA Christian Book Award®—and *NO PLACE TO HIDE* (Zondervan). In addition to his full-time practice as a neurosurgeon, Dr. Warren explores the complex interplay between faith and science in unlocking the secrets of the mind, body, and spirit for better living and for making sense of faith in difficult circumstances.

Publishers of W. Lee Warren: German: *Francke-Buchh GmbH*; Italian: *Futura Edizioni*; Thai: *Kanok Bannasan*



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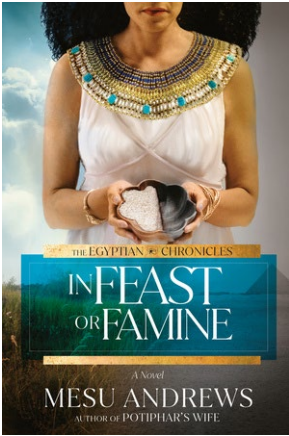
SINGLE TODAY: *Release Your Past, Surrender Your Future, and Live Fully Right Now*
by Ryan Wekenman

SINGLE TODAY is an empowering guide to the gift of singleness that will help you leave shame in the past and let go of anxiety about the future in order to thrive today—from a thirtysomething single pastor who understands that the struggle is real.

Ryan Wekenman has been an unmarried pastor for over a decade, and he believes that singleness isn't a curse to endure, rather it's a gift to enjoy, even in the times it can be hard to see it that way. But he has discovered firsthand—and from hundreds of meetings with other single people—that we are often consumed by regrets or shame from the past, together with worry or fear of the future, making it feel impossible to find peace in the present. But it doesn't have to stay that way. **SINGLE TODAY** shares Ryan's disarming anecdotes, thought-provoking questions, biblical insight, and humor as he invites you into his journey of learning to fully embrace his current reality. No amount of shame will change the past, and no amount of worry will fix the future, but with a little faith and work, you can thrive while being single today.

Ryan Wekenman is a storyteller and pastor with a master's degree from Talbot School of Theology. He hosts a popular podcast, *Stories in Scripture*, that brings the Bible to life for people all around the world. Ryan lives in Austin, Texas, where he helped plant Red Rocks Austin, a young, vibrant church with a large contingent of single adults.

We have another book signed up from Ryan forthcoming in April 2026.



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IN FEAST OR FAMINE

by Mesu Andrews

Praise for POTIPHAR'S WIFE:

"Andrews gives readers a fascinating inside look at familiar biblical accounts, all while developing beautiful and timeless love stories."

—Jody Hedlund, Christy Award-winning author of LUTHER AND KATHARINA

The daughter of ancient Egypt's high priest is thrust into an arranged marriage with Joseph—and a pivotal role in biblical history—in this powerful novel from the award-winning author of POTIPHAR'S WIFE (WaterBrook, 2022).

After four-year-old Asenath's mother is murdered by Egypt's foreign rulers, the child is raised to be a priestess by her overprotective father—high priest of Egypt's sun god. For fifteen years, Asenath is sequestered in the upper levels of Ra's temple, convinced it is her destiny to heal the land by becoming queen to the next Egyptian pharaoh. But when Egypt's foreign king instead gives her as a bride to the newly appointed vizier—a Hebrew named Joseph—her entire world is shaken.

Beyond the walls of her tower, Asenath discovers treachery, deceit, and conspiracy that force her to redefine her destiny and weigh where her true loyalties lie. Can she still trust the gods of Egypt? Or is Elohim, the foreign God of her husband, the one who will heal her nation during the feast and famine to come?

Mesu Andrews is the author of Isaiah's Daughter, the winner of a Christy Award in the Historical Fiction category, which is the highest honor in Christian fiction. She is the author of numerous other novels including The Pharaoh's Daughter, Miriam, and Love Amid the Ashes. Her deep understanding of and love for God's Word brings the biblical world alive for readers.

Publishers of Mesu Andrews: Dutch: *Uitgeverij KokBoekencentrum*; Hungarian: *Kocsis*; Italian: *Edizioni Piemme*; Polish: *Bogulandia Stanislaw Bogulak*



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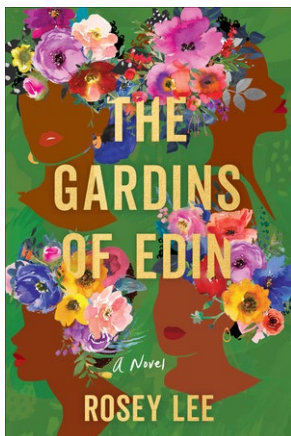
BETWEEN YOU AND US

by Kendra Broekhuis

BETWEEN YOU AND US explores the road not taken. In this moving journey about what could have been, when Leona steps into Zarletti's Ristorante, she unexpectedly steps into another life--the one that could have been hers. And now she must make an impossible choice between two paths: one with the love of her life, and one with the daughter she's always longed for.

Kendra Broekhuis is an author, speaker, and social media creator based out of Milwaukee who delights crafting words to reach readers with honesty over image, neighbor over "followers," Scripture over impulse, and the hope of Christ over despair.

We have a second novel signed up from Kendra for April 2025.



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THE GARDINS OF EDIN

by Rosey Lee

When the bonds in one tight-knit family begin to fray, four women fight to preserve their legacy, heal their wounds, and move forward together in this heartwarming debut novel.

Though regarded as a close-knit family and pillars of the community of Edin, Georgia, the four women of the Gardin family privately know their relationships are rapidly fraying. They struggle to hold the family and its multimillion-dollar peanut business together, thus threatening the legacy of their formerly enslaved ancestors.

Distrust and misunderstanding plague the women and prevent them from moving forward. There's Ruth, who is trying to fit into the family she married into, while grieving her husband's death, longs to fulfill her husband's goals for the company. Martha allows jealousy to lead her to mistrust and constantly cause issues with Ruth and her desire to lead the family enterprise. After professional failure in New York, Mary struggles to bounce back and wrestles with her own role as she watches her sister Martha's malicious treatment of Ruth on full display. Matriarch Naomi wants the women to work out their mistrust, hurts, and mistakes. As the Gardin women struggle and health scares bring to light deep wounds, will they be able to preserve their family legacy and heal? Rosey Lee brings to life beloved women of the Bible for the modern reader.

Rosey Lee writes stories about complicated families and complex friendships, but a happy ending is guaranteed. A native of the Westbank of New Orleans, Louisiana, Rosey is a fan of good food and a good time. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

We have another novel signed up from Rosey Lee for May 2025.



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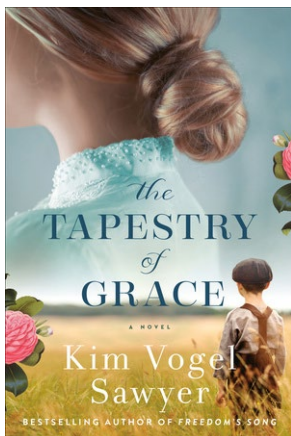
AN AMERICAN IMMIGRANT

by Johanna Rojas Vann

A Colombian American journalist tries to save her career by taking an assignment somewhere she never thought she'd go—Colombia—in this heartwarming debut novel about rediscovering our family stories.

Melanie Carvajal is a twenty-five-year-old Colombian American, but if anyone were to ask where she's from, she'd answer Maryland. Her parents are immigrants, but it's not something she's ever felt the need to talk about. Her grit and dedication landed her a job at the *Miami Herald* right out of college, but when her first year as a reporter doesn't go as planned, she pins her career on an assignment that sends her to Cali, Colombia—a place she never thought she'd go, and heritage she's pushed far away. But after she discovers her mother's journal and her immigration story, she begins a journey of her own. From debut author Johanna Rojas Vann comes a vivid portrait of the immigrant experience, family legacy, and how those before us influence our lives in beautiful ways.

Johanna Rojas Vann is a wife, mother, and professional writer with a passion for stories that highlight the complexity and beauty of diverse families. As a second-generation Colombian-American, Johanna hopes to use the power of story to foster an appreciation and understanding of BIPOC and immigrant families in the U.S. today.



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Fiction / Historical

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THE TAPESTRY OF GRACE

by Kim Vogel Sawyer

A widower struggling to raise his goodhearted but mischievous boys in their Mennonite community becomes the unwilling target of the well-intentioned women's benevolent society in this heartwarming romance inspired by historical events—from the bestselling author of *FREEDOM'S SONG* (WaterBrook, 2021).

Kim Vogel Sawyer is a highly acclaimed, bestselling author with more than 1.5 million books in print in seven different languages. Her titles have earned numerous accolades including the ACFW Carol Award, the Inspirational Readers' Choice Award, and the Gayle Wilson Award of Excellence. Kim lives in central Kansas with her retired military husband, Don, where she continues to write gentle stories of hope.

We have three more novels signed up from Kim Vogel Sawyer, with the next—*RESCUE HILL*—forthcoming in April 2024.

Publishers of Kim Vogel Sawyer: Dutch: *KokBoekencentrum*; Dutch: *Kok Ten Have*; German: *Gerth Medien*; Romanian: *Life Publisher*

Children's

Middle Grade/YA, Adapted Young Reader's Editions, and Devotionals



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FIND YOUR PEOPLE YOUNG READER'S EDITION: *Building Real Friendships in a Lonely World* **by Jennie Allen**

This is an adaptation of Jennie Allen's bestselling FIND YOUR PEOPLE for a middle-grade reading audience. Kids are made to play, engage, adventure, and explore—with others. In **FIND YOUR PEOPLE YOUNG READER'S EDITION**, they'll discover exactly how to dive into the deep end and experience the full wonder of friendship and community.

Jennie Allen is the founder and visionary of IF:Gathering as well as the *New York Times* bestselling author of FIND YOUR PEOPLE, GET OUT OF YOUR HEAD, ANYTHING, and NOTHING TO PROVE (all published by WaterBrook). A frequent speaker at events such as Catalyst and Q Conference, she is a passionate leader, and Jennie earned a master's in biblical studies from Dallas Theological Seminary.

Publishers of FIND YOUR PEOPLE: Portuguese (Brazil): *Editores Alta*; German: *Brunnen Verlag GmbH*; Polish: *Wydawnictwo Esprit*; Spanish: *PRH*

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ONCE A QUEEN **by Sarah Arthur**

In the first book in this new young adult fantasy trilogy, a teenage girl discovers that her estranged English grandmother was once a queen in a world she believed was mythical.

When fourteen-year-old Eva Joyce unexpectedly finds herself spending the summer at the mysterious manor house of the English grandmother she's never met, troubling questions arise, and strange things start happening in the gardens at night. Eva turns to the elderly housekeeper, gardener, and the gardener's grandson, Frankie, for answers. Astonishingly, they all seem to believe the old fairy tales she was told are true—that portals to other worlds still exist, though hidden and steadily disappearing. They suspect that Eva's grandmother was once a queen in one of those worlds. But Eva's grandmother denies it all. After a horrific family tragedy when she was young, her heart is closed to the beauty and pain of her past.

It's up to Eva, with Frankie's help, to discover what really happened, whether family relationships can be restored, and if the portals are closed forever. As she unravels generational secrets, Eva wrestles with the grief of a vanishing childhood—and the fear that growing up means giving up fairy tales forever.

Sarah Arthur is the author of a dozen books ranging from popular devotionals to serious engagement with literature. Her first book for teens was a bestseller in religious publishing and her writing continues to win awards. A graduate of Wheaton College and Duke University Divinity School, Sarah is a recognized authority on such authors as Madeleine L'Engle and C. S. Lewis, as well as on the intersection of faith and literature more broadly.

The next two books in the trilogy are set for January 2025 and January 2026.

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 <p>WaterBrook August 2024 Hardcover Juvenile Fiction / Superheroes</p> <p>Editor: Bunmi Ishola Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Manuscript August 2023</p>	<p>THE MINOR MIRACLE by Meredith Davis</p> <p>The first novel in this middle grade duology is about Noah Minor, a boy who discovers he can manipulate gravity. He then must learn not only to control his newfound power but also how best to wield it for the benefit of others. The second book in this duology is scheduled for August 2025.</p> <p>Meredith Davis is the co-author of <i>HER OWN TWO FEET: A RWANDAN GIRL'S BRAVE FIGHT TO WALK</i> (Scholastic, 2019). She once worked at an independent children's bookstore, started the Austin Chapter of SCBWI, and earned her Masters of Fine Arts in Writing for Children and Young Adults at VCFA. She is married with three children and lives with a home full of books in Austin, Texas.</p>
 <p>WaterBrook October 2025 Hardcover Juvenile Fiction / Devotional</p> <p>Editor: Bunmi Ishola Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated May 2025</p>	<p>TODAY I'LL BE A PENGUIN by Valerie Ellis</p> <p>This four-color devotional for kids ages 6 to 10 includes 52 devotionals that use engaging animal facts and biblical encouragement to inspire kids to grow in joy, kindness, love.</p> <p>Valerie Ellis is a children's book author, speaker, certified teacher, and nonprofit consultant.</p>
 <p>Multnomah May 2023 Hardcover/POB Young Adult Non- Fiction / Christian</p> <p>Editor: Laura Barker Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Final PDF available</p>	<p>BEFORE YOU MEET YOUR FUTURE HUSBAND: 30 Questions to Ask Yourself and 30 Heartfelt Prayers by Robin Jones Gunn and Tricia Goyer</p> <p>Bestselling author Robin Jones Gunn teams up with author and teen advocate Tricia Goyer to offer a devotional for young single women to help them establish God-honoring thinking and beliefs that will lay a firm foundation for their future marriage.</p> <p>Robin Jones Gunn, best-selling author of the much-loved Christy Miller Series and co-author of <i>PRAYING FOR YOUR FUTURE HUSBAND</i>, has had more than 4.5 million copies of her books sold worldwide. Her frequent speaking engagements have taken her around the globe. Robin and her husband live in Hawaii and have a grown son and daughter.</p> <p>Tricia Goyer is the author of over seventy titles including fiction, non-fiction, and books for children and teens. She is a <i>USA Today</i> best-selling author and has also won a two Carol Awards and a Retailer's Best Award. She was also an ECPA Gold-Medallion Nominee and a Christy Award Nominee and won Writer of the Year from the Mt. Hermon Christian Writers Conference.</p>



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Fiction / Fantasy

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BENEATH THE SWIRLING SKY **by Carolyn Leiloglou**

The first book in a new middle grade contemporary fantasy trilogy about a boy who discovers that his family is one of the last of the Restorationists... A house full of paintings, a missing sister, and a family secret send Vincent and his cousin into a world where art is the key.

After an experience he'd rather forget, Vincent is determined to be done with art. That is, until his little sister Lili disappears into one of the world's most famous paintings, and Vincent learns his parents have been hiding something from him: Their family is the last of The Restorationists, a secret society with the power to travel through paintings—and a duty to protect them from evil forces.

With Lili's safety on the line, leaving art behind is no longer an option. Vincent must team up with his know-it-all second-cousin Georgia, wrestle with why his parents lied to him, and confront both his past and a future he never wanted. Young readers are invited into a captivating universe where paintings become a portal—and adventure and danger lurk beyond every canvas.

Carolyn Leiloglou is a writer whose stories and poems have been published in over a dozen children's magazines including *Highlights*, *Ladybug*, *Cricket*, *The School Magazine*, and *Clubhouse Jr.* Her picture book *LIBRARY'S MOST WANTED* (Arcadia, 2020) was a 2021 WILLA Literary Award Finalist in Children's Fiction and Nonfiction. She lives in San Antonio, Texas with her husband, Demetrios, a pediatrician, and their four kids.

The next two books in the Restorationists series will follow in September 2024 and September 2025.



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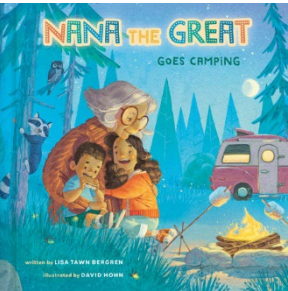
THE EMMAUS BIBLE STORYBOOK **by Matt Mikalatos**

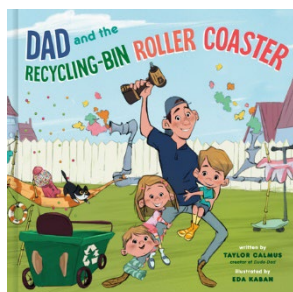
THE EMMAUS BIBLE STORYBOOK is an adaptation of selected Bible stories in graphic novel form for ages 8-12, tracing how the life and person of Jesus fulfill Old Testament prophecy.

Matt Mikalatos is a Christian author, screenwriter, and speaker.

	WaterBrook	Andrew Peterson <i>Author of the Wingfeather Saga</i>	Editor: Sarah Rubio Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian
Andrew Peterson is the bestselling author of the Wingfeather Saga (the animated series adaptation is now streaming!), a singer/songwriter, and the founder of The Rabbit Room, which fosters community through story, art, and music.			
WaterBrook November 2023 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious Status: Materials estimated June 2023 <u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 127 x 190 mm (5 x 7-1/2 in) Pages: 128 Illustrations: 50-55 PIECES LINE ART; 2 MAPS Price: \$14.99	A RANGER’S GUIDE TO GLIPWOOD FOREST by Andrew Peterson; illustrated by Aedan Peterson Wingfeather fans will want to make sure to pack this illustrated guide in their knapsacks, whether they're first-time visitors or repeat travelers to the always mysterious and sometimes treacherous Glipwood Forest. A RANGER’S GUIDE TO GLIPWOOD FOREST is a detailed exploration of the region in Skree, longtime home of the Igiby family. Marvel at the majestic glipwood trees, poke around the (possibly haunted) Anklejelly Manor, dip your toes (if you dare!) into the mighty River Blapp, and try to avoid falling off a cliff edge into the Dark Sea of Darkness and getting eaten by a sea dragon. Both longtime Wingfeather fans and readers new to the series will be enthralled, tickled, delighted, and occasionally disturbed by never-before-known nuggets and familiar factoids about the longtime refuge of Janner, Tink, Leeli, and their family. Get a closer look than ever at the place where all the adventures began!		
WaterBrook July 2024 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction / Fantasy & Magic Status: Materials estimated August 2023 <u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 280 x 216 mm (11 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$14.99	THE PRINCE OF YORSHA DOON by Andrew Peterson; Illustrated by Kristina Kister One of the popular Wingfeather Tales comes to life in a new fully illustrated picture book format for young readers. THE PRINCE OF YORSHA DOON tells the story of Safiki—already beloved by thousands of Wingfeather fans—as he emerges from his life of solitary freedom and becomes an accidental hero. Life on the streets of the bustling and mysterious city of Yorsha Doon can be hard, but Safiki loves his independence. But when he bumps into a stranger who's being far too conspicuous with the valuable book he's carrying, Safiki finds himself at the center of a noble but foolhardy rescue and discovers that he can be braver than he imagined, and that friendship might be worth the risk after all.		
WaterBrook February 2025 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious Status: Materials estimated February 2024 <u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 152 x 229 mm (6 x 9 in) Pages: 224 Illustrations: Fully illustrated Price: \$14.99	ON THE EDGE OF THE DARK SEA OF DARKNESS: <i>The Graphic Novel</i> by Andrew Peterson This is a graphic novel adaptation of the first book in Andrew Peterson’s bestselling Wingfeather Saga, ON THE EDGE OF THE DARK SEA OF DARKNESS.		
Publishers of the Wingfeather Saga: German: <i>Permission Verlag</i> ; Hungarian: <i>Harmat Kiado</i> ; Korean: <i>Dasan Books</i> ; Polish: <i>Szaron Grzegorz Przeliorz</i> ; Portuguese (Brazil): <i>Editora Trinitas</i> ; Romanian: <i>Editura Paralela 45</i> ; Russian: <i>Eksmo</i> ; Slovak: <i>i527.net</i> ; Slovene: <i>Druzina</i> ; Spanish: <i>LifeWay Christian Resources</i> ; Ukrainian: <i>Bookchef</i> ; UK/BC: <i>Hodder & Stoughton</i>			

Picture Books

 <p>WaterBrook July 2024 Hardcover / POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious</p> <p>Editor: Bunmi Ishola Rights: World Co-agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated October 2023</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$12.99</p>	<p>CHICHI AND DIDI LOVE THEIR NAMES by Chinyere Peace Amadi</p> <p>Originally self-published, this is an inspiring picture book about two Nigerian American sisters who learn to love their names, which have meaning and significance within their cultural heritage and serve as the foundation of their identities in God.</p> <p>Chinyere Peace Amadi (aka Dr. Peace) is a psychologist, host, and professor of child psychology & media psychology. She is also a social media influencer (@pinkcouchgirl), TEDx Speaker, and personal development coach.</p> <p>This is the first of three Chichi and Didi picture books we have signed up from Chinyere Peace Amadi, with the next two to follow in 2025 and 2026.</p>
 <p>WaterBrook April 2023 Hardcover / POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious</p> <p>Editor: Laura Barker Rights: World Co-agents: Christian Status: Final PDF available</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$12.99</p>	<p>NANA THE GREAT GOES CAMPING by Lisa Tawn Bergren; Illustrated by David Hohn</p> <p>This tender, spunky picture book from the bestselling author of the <i>God Gave Us</i> series celebrates the ways loving grandparents help children find new adventures—and timeless wisdom—around every corner.</p> <p>Summer vacations are great—and they're even better when they include camping with Nana! Nana is great at hiking, campfire cooking, and making new friends. She encourages slowing down to enjoy nature's wonders, learning new skills, and watching out for the discoveries that await outside everyday routines. Most of all, Nana is great at making treasured memories that will last a lifetime.</p> <p>Lisa Tawn Bergren is the author of over forty books, with more than 3.3 million copies sold. Her work includes children's books, historical and contemporary fiction, women's nonfiction, and gift books. A freelance writer and editor, Lisa lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She and her husband, Tim, are the parents of three children.</p> <p>David Hohn is an award-winning illustrator who graduated with honors from the Maryland Institute college of Art. He lives in Portland, Oregon.</p> <p>Publishers of Lisa Tawn Bergren's picture books: Croatian: <i>Verbum</i>; German: <i>Verlag der Francke-Buchhandlung</i>; Hungarian: <i>Patmos Kiado</i>; Japanese: <i>Word of Life Press Ministries Japan</i>; Korean: <i>Short Pencil Books</i>; Romanian: <i>Doxologia Publishing House, Stephanus</i>; Slovak: <i>Christian Project Support</i>; Spanish: <i>PRH</i></p>



WaterBrook
May 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Parents

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Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$14.99

DAD AND THE RECYCLING-BIN ROLLER COASTER
by Taylor Calmus; Illustrated by Eda Kaban

A four-color children's picture book from the creator of Dude Dad—in which a dad repeatedly tries to impress his kids with his fantastic creations, but ultimately learns his kids just want to play with him.

Better known as Dude Dad, **Taylor Calmus** is a Colorado-based video creator who started his popular YouTube channel two weeks before his son was born as a way to stay creative while learning to be a father. In addition to the videos he creates calling out the humorous and heartfelt aspects of fatherhood, Taylor is also the host of "Super Dad," a DIY show helping make fathers heroes in their own homes through the creation of elaborate and exciting backyard projects. The show, which is currently taping its second season, airs on the new Magnolia Network. Taylor and his wife, Heidi live in Fort Collins, Colorado with their three children.

Eda Kaban was born and raised in Turkey with a great passion for drawing, reading, and monkey bars. She has traveled the globe wearing a backpack slightly larger than herself. Her illustrations have been recognized by Society of Illustrators, Creative Quarterly, American Illustration and 3X3. She is also currently freelancing as a Character Designer on a to-be-announced show at Disney TVA.



WaterBrook
February 2024
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Non-
Fiction/Science &
Nature

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Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

GOD'S LITTLE ASTRONOMER
by Tina Cho; Illustrated by Marta Álvarez Miguéns

This first picture book from author and educator Tina Cho invites young readers to explore space, offering kids a fun head start in scientific concepts that point back to the wonder of God's creation.

Tina Cho teaches at an international school and writes for the children's and educational markets. Though she grew up in Iowa, she now lives in South Korea. In her free time, she enjoys playing her electronic piano, careful not to bother her many neighbors in the high-rise apartment building she lives in with her family.

Marta Álvarez Miguéns is a children's book illustrator based in Spain. She has won several awards like the Blue Spruce award, the Chickadee award, and the Beehive award for her book *SHARK LADY: The Story of How Eugenie Clark Became the Ocean's Most Fearless Scientist*.

In April 2025, we have GOD'S LITTLE OCEANOGRAPHER forthcoming from this author/illustrator team.

<div data-bbox="99 117 389 350" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Convergent September 2024 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Non-Fiction / Religious</p> <p>Editor: Becky Nesbitt Rights: World Co-agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated June 2023</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 6-1/2 x 7-1/2 in Pages: 288 Illustrations: 50-55 4C throughout Price: \$22.00</p>	<p>THE BOOK OF BELONGING by Mariko Clark; Illustrated by Rachel Eleanor</p> <p>From author-illustrator team Mariko Clark and Rachel Eleanor, THE BOOK OF BELONGING is a beautifully illustrated Bible story book for modern and mindful kids, featuring diverse and beautiful stories focused on identity, wonder and contemplation. Originally launched on Kickstarter, this is an updated story Bible that allows all young children to see themselves in the pages of God’s word.</p> <p>Mariko Clark is a writer and podcaster who previously edited philosophy and religion books with <i>National Geographic</i> and worked in advertising. She co-hosts The Pause Podcast, a devotional podcast focused on mindfulness and faith.</p> <p>Rachel Eleanor is an illustrator based in Atlanta, Georgia, helping others to tell their stories through magazines, podcasts, picture books, shop windows, sides of buildings and packaging.</p>
<div data-bbox="99 741 389 974" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Convergent April 2024 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Non-Fiction / Science & Nature</p> <p>Editor: Keren Baltzer Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated September 2023</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 203 x 229 mm (8 x 9 in) Pages: 96 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$25.00</p>	<p>BLESS THE EARTH: A Collection of Poetry for Children to Celebrate and Care for Our World by June Cotner Graves; Illustrated by Nancy Tupper Ling</p> <p>BLESS THE EARTH is a children’s anthology full of writings and illustrations that convey a spiritual perspective of caring for and appreciating the world. With the environment in the forefront of so many conversations, this book is the perfect way to acquaint children with the idea of respecting and being kind to our home. The writing is vivid and memorable, and offers concrete suggestions for little things children can do to make the world a better place.</p> <p>June Cotner is the bestselling author of more than 36 books that have collectively sold more than one million copies. She is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, and she lives with her husband and their dog in Poulsbo, Washington.</p> <p>Nancy Tupper Ling is a children’s book author and illustrator. She draws her inspiration from the multicultural background of her family and the interwoven fabric of familial culture which is, on the surface, seemingly everyday. She lives in Walpole, Massachusetts with her husband, Vincent, and their two girls.</p>



WaterBrook
November 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Native American

Editor: Sarah Rubio
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Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 280 x 216 mm (11 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$14.99

WINTER'S GIFTS

by Kaitlin B. Curtice; Illustrated by Gloria Félix

A vibrantly illustrated children's book about an Indigenous girl who finds awe in the resting and waiting that winter teaches us and shares with her friends how Creator's gift of gratitude can transform the way we see the world.

WINTER'S GIFTS is the tale of a young Potawatomi girl named Dani whose family celebrates the darkest season of the year by treasuring the slowness that winter brings. Dani's schoolmates think it's silly to think that Earth gives us presents, but on a magical snowy day, her family and Creator give Dani the courage to teach her friends about the gifts of winter—resting, remembrance, and gratitude. Can Dani help them receive winter's gifts?

Kaitlin B. Curtice is a poet, author and public speaker. As an enrolled citizen of the Potawatomi Nation and someone who has grown up in the Christian faith, Kaitlin writes on the intersection of Indigenous spirituality, faith in everyday life, and decolonization within the church.

We have 3 more books signed with Kaitlin in 2024, 2025, and 2026.

Gloria Félix is a professional VisDev and Background artist from Mexico. She has over 8 years of experience as a Background Designer and Background Painter for animation.



WaterBrook
July 2024
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Social Themes

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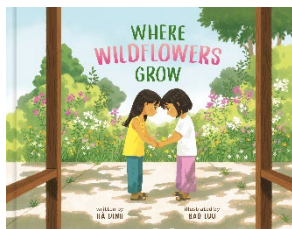
Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 48
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

NOT POP-POP

by Angela De Groot; Illustrated by MacKenzie Haley

A four-color children's picture book about a young boy who mistakes a homeless man at the library for his grandfather; this book serves as a celebration of libraries and a conversation opener about homelessness.

Angela De Groot is a children's book writer who lives in New Jersey with her family.



WaterBrook
June 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Emigration &
Immigration

Editor: Bunmi Ishola
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
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Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

WHERE WILDFLOWERS GROW
by Hà Dinh; Illustrated by Bao Luu

A beautifully moving picture book that reminds us that wherever we move—across the sea or across the neighborhood—we can always keep growing . . . just like wildflowers.

After being uprooted from their home in Vietnam, young Hà is happy with her new life at the refugee camp. But today is Moving Day! And while the rest of the family is excited to head to their "forever home" in America, Hà doesn't want to leave.

Leaving means saying goodbye to her best friend, her loving teacher, and the beautiful wildflowers she picks daily. She's not ready for yet another change. Who will play the game Ô Ăn Quan with her? What if she can't master speaking English?

Can Hà carry the best parts of her beloved camp with her? Can wildflowers grow in America too?

Inspired by the author's childhood, **WHERE WILDFLOWERS GROW** explores the emotional struggle of moving and the joy in discovering there's always hope in new beginnings.

Hà Dinh wanted to be an author from the moment she first held a book in her hands. She is the wife of her high school sweetheart, a mother of two, the founder of the Happy Days in First Grade teaching blog, and an elementary school teacher. Hà seeks to inspire kids to share their own stories and make a positive impact in the world.

Born and raised in Vietnam, **Bao Luu** currently lives in the United States where, as a professional artist, he loves playing with color and texture in his illustrations.



WaterBrook
March 2024
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Diversity &
Multicultural

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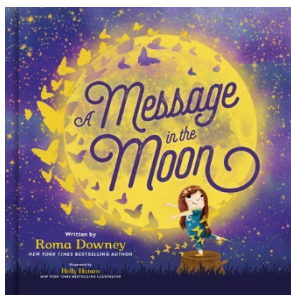
Trim Size: 280 x 216 mm (11 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

WHAT COLOR IS GOD'S LOVE?
by Xochitl Dixon; Illustrated by Darshika Varma

A four-color children's picture book that will celebrate the wide variety of colors revealing God's intentional creativity to show the beauty in all the shades of the four seasons, as well as in the diversity of God's image-bearers.

Xochitl Dixon is a writer and the author of WAITING FOR GOD: TRUSTING DAILY IN GOD'S PLAN AND PACE (Our Daily Bread, 2019) and the children's picture book DIFFERENT LIKE ME (Our Daily Bread, 2020). She lives in Wisconsin with her family.

Her next picture book, WONDERFULLY, MARVELOUSLY BROWN, is forthcoming in October 2024 and will explore the colorful world God created to reveal how He intentionally designed people to be beautiful hues of brown, from light to dark.



Convergent
October 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Family

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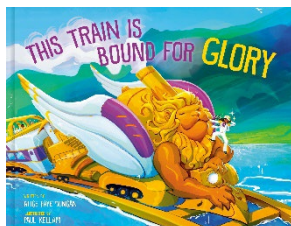
Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$15.99

A MESSAGE IN THE MOON
by Roma Downey; Illustrated by Holly Hatam

Throughout Roma Downey's life, she's carried a deep longing for her parents. However, no matter how much time crawls by, Roma draws comfort from the moon and knowing her parents are on the other side of Heaven sending unconditional love. Longing is a complex, complicated emotion. **A MESSAGE IN THE MOON** will gently explain to children that the longing for someone or something to return is something we all feel, but don't quite know how to express.

Whether your child is going to their first day of school, or their favorite stuffed animal is inexplicably gone, whether they are experiencing the loss of a grandparent or the loss of a goldfish, or a sibling has left for college, **A MESSAGE IN THE MOON** helps parents to explain to their little ones that to long for something or someone is to love and to love is the greatest gift of all.

Roma Downey is an Emmy-nominated actress and producer, *New York Times* bestselling author and has been creating inspirational content for twenty-five years. She gained fame for her role as the kindhearted angel Monica on the popular network show, *Touched by an Angel*. With her husband, Mark Burnett, their productions include *The Bible series*, *A.D*, *Son of God*, *The Dovekeepers*, *Woodlawn*, *Ben-Hur*, and *Resurrection*. Roma is president and CCO of LightWorkers Media—the faith and family division of MGM.



WaterBrook
June 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
African American
& Black

Editor: Kimberly von Fange
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Co-Agents: Christian
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Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

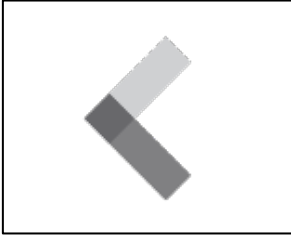
THIS TRAIN IS BOUND FOR GLORY
by Alice Faye Duncan; Illustrated by Paul Kellam

A four-color picture book for children based on the African American spiritual "This Train Is Bound for Glory" in which the Glory Train travels to pick up passengers on its way to heaven.

Alice Faye Duncan is a librarian who writes books for children and adults.

We have a second children's book signed up from Alice Faye Duncan for June 2024—based on the African American spiritual, *I GOTTA SING* follows a young boy's morning at the farm as his Pop sings along with the animals and his Nana calls him to bath time.

Paul Kellam is a freelance illustrator based in Florida, with roots in watercolor painting. Paul strives to create a sense of flow and rhythm within his work, overlaid with juicy hue vibrations. Having developed a passion for the arts early on, he continued to harness and develop his creative skills until eventually attaining his Bachelor's in Media arts and Animation. Upon graduating, he has chosen to direct his skills towards digital illustration and designing fun and expressive characters.



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February 2025
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Religious

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Rights: World

Co-Agents: Christian

Status: Materials estimated August 2024

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 203 x 203 mm (9 x 9 in)

Pages: 40

Illustrations: 4C throughout

Price: \$17.99

WHAT IS THE BIBLE?

**by Rachel Held Evans, Dan Evans, and Matthew Paul Turner;
Illustrated by Ying Hui Tan**

A four-color children's picture book that explores the story of God, as told by the late author Rachel Held Evans and her co-author, Matthew Paul Turner. This is the next book from this author team, following WHAT IS GOD LIKE?.

Rachel Held Evans (1981–2019) wrote about faith, doubt, and life in the Bible Belt. Her *New York Times* bestselling books include *INSPIRED*, *SEARCHING FOR SUNDAY*, and *A YEAR OF BIBLICAL WOMANHOOD*. She served on President Obama's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships and spoke often at churches, conferences, and universities around the country. Rachel's family calls eastern Tennessee home.

Matthew Paul Turner is a blogger, speaker, and author of several books, including the bestselling *WHEN GOD MADE YOU* and *WHEN I PRAY FOR YOU*. Matthew lives in Nashville, Tennessee, with his three children.

Ying Hui Tan is a Malaysian illustrator and creator. She is passionate about storytelling and strives to turn her imagination into reality through her paintings.

Publishers of WHAT IS GOD LIKE?: Dutch: *KokBoekencentrum*; German: *Gutesloher*; Korean: *Where the Wind Blows*



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Juvenile Fiction /
Action &
Adventure

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Co-agents: Christian

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Pages: 40

Illustrations: 4C throughout

Price: \$14.99

MY LIGHTHOUSE: A Story of Finding Your Way Home by Ali Gilkeson; Illustrated by Lee Wildish

A children's illustrated picture book based on Rend Collective's hit song "My Lighthouse," about a boy who learns to appreciate his lighthouse home after going on adventure, getting lost and being led safely back to shore by its light. A follow-up picture book by Ali Gilkeson is scheduled for June 2025.

Ali Gilkeson is known as the percussionist and backup singer of the Christian worship band Rend Collective. They are best known for their hit albums *The Art of Celebration* and *As Family, We Go*, which both landed at number one on the U.S. Christ Chart.



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Juvenile
Nonfiction /
Family

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Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

KAILANI'S GIFT

by Dorina Lazo Gilmore-Young; Illustrated by Lynnor Bontigao

A four-color picture book for children about a Filipino-American girl who learns to dance a traditional Filipino dance and gains courage through the process of failing, falling, and trying again—while exploring the full range of emotions that young children experience when a new baby joins the family. Her dance is not only a gift to her grandfather on his birthday, but also reveals that Kailani has more to give to others than she knew about welcoming a new sibling into the family.

Dorina Lazo Gilmore-Young is a writer, speaker, former news reporter, and foodie. She is the author of *CHASING GOD'S GLORY* (WaterBrook, 2023). Her children's book *CORA COOKS PANCIT* received the Picture Book of the Year Award from the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association.

Lynnor Bontigao is a Filipino children's book illustrator.



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Nonfiction /
Biblical Studies

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Illustrations: 4C throughout
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ONE PERFECT PLAN: *The Bible's Big Story in Tiny Poems*


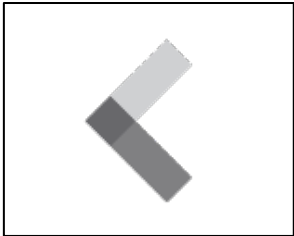
by Nancy Tupper Ling; Illustrated by Alina Chau

A picture book that introduces young readers to the story of Bible—all in one sitting!—and invites them into God's great plan.

ONE PERFECT PLAN is a fun, accessible retelling of biblical tales through engaging poems by Nancy Tupper Ling—each three to six lines long—and breathtaking illustrations by Alina Chau.

Nancy Tupper Ling is a children's author and poet, and is the winner of the prestigious Writer's Digest Grand Prize and the Pat Parnell Poetry Award. She is the author of *MY SISTER, ALICIA MAY* (Pleasant Street Press), *DOUBLE HAPPINESS* (Chronicle Books), *THE STORY I'LL TELL* (Lee & Low Books) and the founder of Fine Line Poets.

Alina Chau is an award-winning filmmaker and artist. Her credits include the Emmy Award-winning *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* animated series, and numerous best-selling games. She illustrated *The Nian Monster*, which received the 2018 APALA Picture Book Honor. Her whimsical illustration style is highly sought after for art exhibitions worldwide. Her lyrical watercolors have garnered her a devoted fan base and the accolades of her peers.

 <p>WaterBrook May 2023 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Nonfiction / Biblical Studies</p> <p>Editor: Sarah Rubio Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Final PDF available</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C illustrations throughout Price: \$12.99</p>	<p>SINCE THE BABY CAME: A Sibling's Learning-to-Love Story in 16 Poems by Kathleen Long Bostrom; Illustrated by Janet Samuel</p> <p>A four-color rhyming picture book for children about welcoming a new sibling into the family. The full range of emotions a young child experiences when a new baby joins the family is expressed through a variety of poetic formats.</p> <p>Kathleen Long Bostrom is an accomplished author who has written over forty books, most of them picture books for young readers. Her Little Blessings series is published in 18 languages around the world.</p> <p>Janet Samuel is an illustrator living in a small town in the south of Wales with her daughter Alice and scruffy terrier, Tilly.</p>
 <p>Convergent September 2024 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction - Holidays & Celebrations</p> <p>Editor: Bunmi Ishola Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated February 2024</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$13.99</p>	<p>ANDY JOHNSON AND THE MARCH FOR JUSTICE by Esau McCaulley; Illustrated by Emmanuel Boateng</p> <p>In this four-color children's picture book, the Johnson family attends a protest led by their church in Chicago. We have two more picture books about the Johnson family signed up from Esau McCaulley, forthcoming in 2026 and 2027.</p> <p>Esau McCaulley is a professor of New Testament at Wheaton College and theologian in residence at Progressive Baptist Church, a historically black congregation in Chicago. He is the author of <i>SHARING IN THE SON'S INHERITANCE</i> and the award winning book <i>READING WHILE BLACK: African American Biblical Interpretation as an Exercise in Hope</i>, as well as the forthcoming <i>HOW FAR TO THE PROMISED LAND</i>. He is a contributing opinion writer for the <i>New York Times</i>. His writings have also appeared in places such as <i>The Atlantic</i>, <i>Washington Post</i>, and <i>Christianity Today</i>.</p>

<div data-bbox="99 115 389 348" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Convergent October 2023 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious</p> <p>Editor: Keren Baltzer Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials available</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$13.99</p>	<p>CORY AND THE SEVENTH STORY By Brian McLaren and Gareth Higgins</p> <p>A four-color illustrated children's picture book, sharing an allegory we need to help people find a path forward despite disagreement so that we can live together as we should, as peacemakers.</p> <p>Cory the raccoon and Cory's best friend Owl love their happy, peaceful village and want to keep it that way. But things begin to change for the worse when some of their neighbors, including Badger, Fox, and Weasel, become fierce and angry critters who fight and bully others in the village, driving away those who they deem "dirty and bad." It breaks Cory and Owl's hearts to see their village filled with anger, fear, and fighting -- but what can they do?</p> <p>Brian McLaren is a Christian thinker, author, and activist. A former pastor with a background in literature, McLaren is the author of over a dozen books, an Auburn Senior Fellow, and board chair of Convergence.</p> <p>Gareth Higgins is a writer from Belfast, Northern Ireland now living in Asheville, North Carolina.</p>
<div data-bbox="99 810 389 1043" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Convergent March 2024 Hardcover/POB Juvenile Fiction / Religious</p> <p>Editor: Karen Baltzer Rights: World Co-Agents: Christian Status: Materials estimated September 2023</p> <p><u>Title Specs:</u> Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in) Pages: 40 Illustrations: 4C throughout Price: \$13.99</p>	<p>YOU WILL ALWAYS BELONG by Matthew Paul Turner</p> <p>Matthew Paul Turner's next children's book, this time focusing on belonging.</p> <p>Matthew Paul Turner is a blogger, speaker, and author of several books, including the bestselling WHEN GOD MADE YOU and WHEN I PRAY FOR YOU. Matthew lives in Nashville, Tennessee, with his three children.</p> <p>We have a second book sign up for 2026.</p> <p>Publishers of WHEN I PRAY FOR YOU: Chinese (complex): <i>Paul Publishing</i>; Farsi: <i>Mehr-o-Marh</i>; Korean: <i>Seoul Logos</i></p>



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Price: \$15.99

HOLY NIGHT AND LITTLE STAR: A Story for Christmas
by Mitali Perkins; Illustrated by Khoa Le

A luminous and tender retelling of the Christmas story from National Book Award nominee Mitali Perkins, author of *BARE TREE AND LITTLE WIND*, that is sure to become a cherished holiday favorite for families of faith.

Little Star likes her usual spot in the night sky over Bethlehem. Every night, she twinkles above the hills and hopes that nothing will change. But one night, Maker gathers the galaxy! Holy Night is coming, and Maker wants the planets, Moon, and the stars to all take part.

As Maker doles out jobs, Little Star holds back, each new role sounding too hard or too scary. But when Maker eventually calls on her to shine, Little Star discovers she is ready and able to welcome the Child and joins the other stars and planets in celebration. Khoa Le's shimmering illustrations are the perfect complement to Mitali's unique take on the Christmas story. Readers young and old will be captivated by Little Star's journey as she discovers that Maker welcomes even the quietest gifts.

Mitali Perkins has written many books for young readers, including *BARE TREE AND LITTLE WIND*.

Khoa Le is the author and illustrator of numerous picture books. She has been honored by the Singapore Book Council as the winner of the Grand Prize Samsung KidsTime Authors Award and the second runner-up of the Scholastic Picture Book Award.



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THE RULER IN YOU
by Jordan Raynor; Illustrated by Jonathan Voss

The second children's picture book from Jordan Raynor, author of *THE CREATOR IN YOU* (April 2022) as well as several bestselling adult books.

Jordan Raynor, the bestselling author of *MASTER OF ONE* and *CALLED TO CREATE*, leads a growing community of Christians seeking to more deeply connect their faith with their work. A highly sought-after speaker on the topic of faith and work, Raynor has spoken at Harvard University, SXSW, TEDx, and many other events around the world. Jordan has twice been selected as a Google fellow and served in the White House under President George W. Bush.

We have another picture book signed up from Jordan Raynor for July 2025, called *THE SPIRIT IN YOU*.

Publishers of *THE CREATOR IN YOU*: German: *Permission Verlag*



WaterBrook
March 2025
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Science & Nature

Editor: Kimberly von Fange
Rights: World
Co-agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated September 2024

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$13.99

MISS PRIM GOES WILD
by Katy Rose

A four-color children's picture book that follows the transformation of a cantankerous, strict older woman as she learns how nature's wild ways can heal both her yard and her heart.

Katy Rose is a writer, illustrator and painter. Her artwork can be seen at katyrosecollection.com.



WaterBrook
September 2024
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Religious

Editor: Bunmi Ishola
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated January 2024

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8 ½ in x 8 ½ in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$14.99

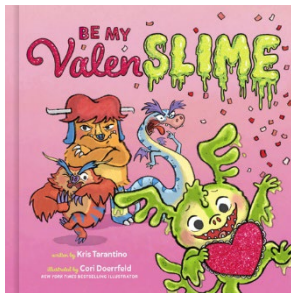
THE DELIVERER HAS COME
by Sarah Shin; Illustrated by Shin Maeng

A four-color children's picture book capturing the longing, wonder, and exhilaration of the Advent story, from the perspective of Anika and her great-aunt, the prophetess Anna.

Sarah Shin is a speaker and trainer in ethnicity, evangelism, and the arts, and she is the author of *BEYOND COLORBLIND* (IVP, 2017). A fine artist and painter, Shin has a master's degree in theology from Gordon-Cromwell Theological Seminary and a master's degree in city planning and development from MIT.

Shin Maeng resides in St. Andrews Scotland. He grew up in Bridgewater, NJ, New Haven, CT and Cambridge, MA. He is married to Sarah and has a wee lass.

Sarah and Shin are signed up for a follow-up picture book in January 2025.



WaterBrook
December 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Holidays &
Celebrations

Editor: Bunmi Ishola
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$14.99

BE MY VALENSLIME
by Kris Tarantino; Illustrated by Cori Doerrfeld

A hilarious and heartwarming picture book about a sweet little monster who *really* wants to celebrate a not-so-monstery holiday::Valentine's Day... even though the other monsters insist that monsters *don't do* Valentine's Day. Together they discover the true meaning of love and how to show it in their monster way.

Kris Tarantino is a children's book author from San Antonio, Texas.

Cori Doerrfeld illustrated the acclaimed picture book THE RABBIT LISTENED, as well as popular books like LITTLE BUNNY FOO FOO: THE REAL STORY and THE TRUE ADVENTURES OF ESTHER THE WONDER PIG.



WaterBrook
February 2024
Hardcover
Religion /
Personal Growth

Editor: Sarah Rubio
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated July 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$14.99

A CUP OF LOVE: Relationship Goals for Kids
by Michael Todd; Illustrated by Joel Santana

A children's picture book based on Michael Todd's bestselling RELATIONSHIP GOALS.

Michael Todd is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of RELATIONSHIP GOALS and the lead pastor of Transformation Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. His driving passion and the vision of his ministry is re-presenting God to the lost and found for transformation in Christ.

Based in Tampa, Florida, **Joel Santana** paints with a cinematic eye for light, colour and composition as well as a strong sense of narrative. He attended the High School of Art & Design in Manhattan before graduating from the International Academy of Art & Technology in Tampa.

Publishers of Michael Todd: Chinese (complex): *Maple House*; Estonian: *Million Mindset*; Hungarian: *Immanuel*; Norwegian: *Agape Forlag*; Polish: *MT Biznes*; Portuguese (Brazil): *Editores Alta*; Russian: *AST*; Spanish: *PRH*; Swedish: *Livets Ords*; Ukrainian: *Golden City Publishing*; Vietnamese: *Saigon Books*



WaterBrook
 March 2025
 Hardcover/POB
 Juvenile Fiction /
 Science & Nature

PLANTED
 by **Natasha Tripplett**; Illustrated by **Adriana Predoi**

An illustrated children's picture book about a young boy who discovers through the lessons of his new foster mom's garden that he is wanted, loved, and will blossom in life.

Natasha Tripplett is a Jamaican Jewish American children's book author who is passionate about #ownvoices. She is also one of the founders and co-coordinators of the SCBWI Tapestry of Voices diversity initiative.

Natasha is signed up for a second picture book in 2025.

Editor: Bunmi Ishola
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated July 2024

Title Specs:
 Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
 Pages: 40
 Illustrations: 4C throughout
 Price: \$12.99



WaterBrook
 May 2023
 Hardcover/POB
 Juvenile Fiction /
 Religious

I KNOW WHO I AM: A Joyful Affirmation of Your God-Given Identity
 by **Dorena Williamson**; Illustrated by **Dara SanMar**

An uplifting picture book that reminds children all over the world of God's love for them—affirming their standing in His kingdom and reinforcing their God-given identity.

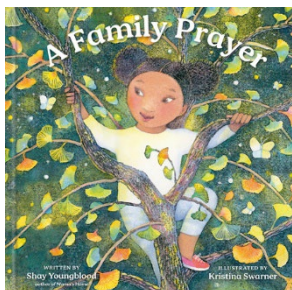
Join children from Haiti, India, Korea, Rwanda, Spain, New Zealand, and many more countries as they each declare God's truth about their identities. Each page is a joyful exploration of how God has uniquely made every child to reveal His glory, but also serves as a beautiful reminder for kids about who they are—and, most important, whom they *belong to*.

Dorena Williamson, a bestselling author of *BROWN BABY JESUS*, *CROWNED WITH GLORY*, and more children's books celebrating multiculturalism. She is also a preacher's kid, pastor's wife, and cross-cultural ministry veteran..

Dana SanMar is a Colombian illustrator and graphic designer currently established in Atlanta. She has a BFA in graphic design from her home country and an MFA in illustration from the Savannah College of Art and Design.

Editor: Bunmi Ishola
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Final PDF available

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
 Pages: 40
 Illustrations: 4C throughout
 Price: \$12.99



Convergent
May 2023
Hardcover/POB
Juvenile Fiction /
Religious

Editor: Keren Baltzer
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Final PDF available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 216 x 216 mm (8-1/2 x 8-1/2 in)
Pages: 40
Illustrations: 4C throughout
Price: \$12.99

A FAMILY PRAYER
by Shay Youngblood; Illustrated by Kristina Swarner

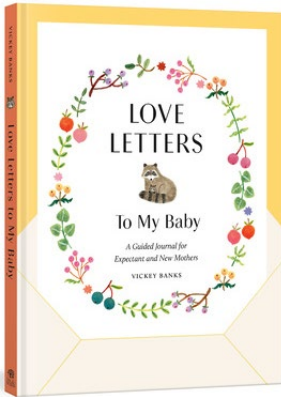
In **A FAMILY PRAYER**, a little brown girl finds joy asking God to keep her family safe. But more than just her biological relatives, each family member is a maternal or paternal archetype, someone in her community who represents the title of mother, father, aunty, and the like.

Shay Youngblood is a playwright and the author of **BLACK GIRL IN PARIS** (Riverhead, 2000), **THE BIG MAMA STORIES** (Firebrand Books) and **SOUL KISS** (Riverhead, 1997). The winner of a Pushcart Prize and a nominee for QPB's New Voices award, she lives in New York City.

Kristina Swarner has been drawing since age three when she decided she wanted to become an artist. She graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design, and her work has been exhibited internationally. Swarner is an award-winning illustrator of books, magazines, greeting cards, and CD covers. She currently works out of her studio in Chicago.

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Ink & Willow
April 2023
Hardcover/POB
Life Stages -
Parenting; Self-
Help - Journaling

LOVE LETTERS TO MY BABY, REVISED AND UPDATED EDITION: A Guided Journal for Expectant and New Mothers by Vickey Banks

A gorgeous keepsake that invites expectant mothers to record and preserve their most cherished memories, messages, and prayers for their new baby, from pregnancy through the first two years. Last published in 2000, this revised and updated edition features brand new full-color illustrations, a family tree spread and photo pages, new prayer prompts, a special hand-tracing activity for mom and baby, and a section for dads to include their own letter.

LOVE LETTERS TO MY BABY by Vickey Banks invites expectant mothers to put down in words how their child is wanted, dreamed about, cherished, and loved. Designed to be used from the first news of baby through the first few years of infancy, this beautifully designed, full-color journal offers space for moms to record special memories and pen messages from the heart so they may someday be given to the child who inspired them. Each section begins with a verse of Scripture, provides a brief devotional on the stages of pregnancy and young motherhood, and lists questions and prompts for reflection and writing inspiration.

Vickey Banks is a popular conference speaker and the author of *SHARING HIS SECRETS* and *LOVE LETTERS TO MY BABY*. Her work has appeared in a dozen compilation books, and she publishes a monthly online newsletter, *One Woman's Heart*.

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Final PDF available

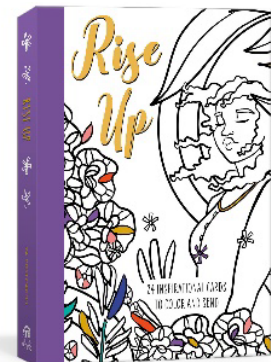
Title Specs:

Trim Size: 178 x 229 mm (7 x 9 in)

Pages: 96

Illustrations: 4C illustrations/photos

Price: \$18.00



Ink & Willow
May 2023
Postcards
Games &
Activities /
Coloring Books

RISE UP POSTCARD BOOK: 24 Inspirational Cards to Color and Send by Ink & Willow

Celebrate Black voices, culture, and history—and be inspired to stand boldly against injustice—with twenty-four colorable postcards to send to friends and family (or enjoy yourself!), from the creators of the *RISE UP* coloring book.

Featuring inspirational quotes and beautiful artwork, this set of twenty-four detachable, colorable postcards invites you to draw strength, courage, and hope from a variety of inspiring quotes, including historical and contemporary Black voices, the Bible, and hymns. Quotes are from well-known voices like Martin Luther King Jr., John Lewis, Maya Angelou, and Sojourner Truth; current leading antiracism educators and authors like Latasha Morrison and Jemar Tisby; Black spirituals and hymns; and Bible verses that uplift and encourage.

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Editor: Susan Tjaden
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Final PDF available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 108 x 152 mm (4-1/4 x 6 in)

Pages: 24

Illustrations: 24 line art; w/ metallic ink

Price: \$12.00



Ink & Willow
June 2023
Card Deck
Family &
Relationships

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 140 x 95 mm (5 ½ x 3 ¾ in)
Cards: 200
Illustrations: 1 2C illustration
Price: \$20.00

THE BIBLE IS FUNNY CARD GAME: *The Party Game of Hilarious Pairings for Verses Out of Context*
by Anthony Russo

Since Bible verses are always being taken out of context, why not make a game of it? This hilarious Apples to Apples–style card game is perfect for families, friends, and small groups—ages 12 and up!

With 70 prompts and 165 Bible verses spread out across 200 cards, **THE BIBLE IS FUNNY CARD GAME** invites players to match out-of-context biblical verses with prompts about everyday situations to win the funniest pairing. The verse cards in the deck feature obscure, ludicrous, or downright outrageous Bible verses pulled completely out of their original context.

Anthony Russo is the creator of The Bible Is Funny Instagram and one half of the duo Isaac Improv, which offers clean comedy content online and at Christian events across the country. A popular comedy performer, Russo grew up memorizing Scripture—partly in his pursuit to understand God's Word, but probably more so in his pursuit of badges for his Awana vest.



Ink & Willow
July 2023
Card Game
Games &
Activities - Family
& Relationships

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Clarkson Potter and Ten Speed Press
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

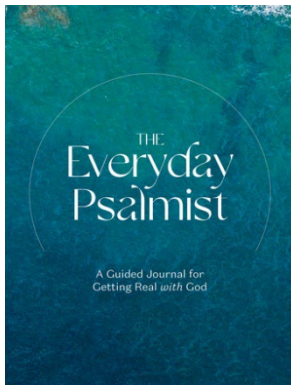
Trim: 102 x 79 mm (4 x 3 1/8 in)
Pages: 125
Illustrations: Fully illustrated
Price: \$20.00

STUFF WE FIGHT ABOUT CONVERSATION CARDS FOR COUPLES: *Get on the Same Page with Your Dreams, Hang-ups, Traditions, and Everything in Between*
by Jeniffer Dake

Strengthen the relational foundation between you and your partner by entering into the real, important, and in-depth conversations sparked by these 125 practical prompt cards.

Inspired by the gap that exists across many relationships—one of unmet expectations, unfulfilled hopes, and a failure to communicate—**STUFF WE FIGHT ABOUT** invites couples to express their preferences, pet peeves, assumptions, and major life goals in a safe and low-pressure context. By engaging in these vital conversations instead of pushing their differences under the rug, couples will strengthen the foundation of their relationship—whether dating, engaged, or married—and gain the added benefit of being more fully known and loved.

Jeniffer Dake is a professional speaker, teacher, and mentor who has had the privilege of counseling young women from middle school through to marriage. Over the past twenty-five years, she has spoken at professional conferences, youth councils, parenting symposiums, and leadership development conventions throughout the country.



Ink & Willow
September 2023
Trade Paperback
Original
Self-Help /
Journaling

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6 x 8 in)
Pages: 176
Illustrations: 4C interior
Price: \$15.00

THE EVERYDAY PSALMIST: A Guided Journal for Getting Real with God by Ink & Willow

Practice rest, silence, and emotional honesty to achieve a stronger self-awareness and a deeper connection with God by writing your own psalms and learning to speak the language of prayer. In this beautiful, full-color guide to practicing prayer through the language of the psalms, you will be introduced to an overview of the biblical psalms—what they are, the different types, their origin, and how they are arranged. Then with prompts ranging from quotes to questions to reflections, you will be guided to write your own psalms, by getting “everything out in the open before God,” in the words of Eugene H. Peterson.

With this invaluable "writer's guide" resource, you can begin a lifelong practice of creating your own psalms, not as a substitute for those in the Bible but rather as a complement to enrich your spiritual life as you learn to speak the language of prayer in a more personal and transformative way.

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Ink & Willow
September 2023
Hardcover/POB
Religion /
Devotional

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated May 2023

Title Specs:

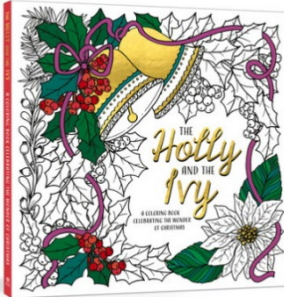
Trim Size: 203 x 279 mm (8 x 11 in)
Pages: 80
Illustrations: 4C art and design
Price: \$19.95

‘TIS THE SEASON FAMILY ADVENT ACTIVITY BOOK: Devotions, Recipes, and Memories of the Christmas Season By Ink & Willow

Framed around four central devotions, this Advent activity book invites parents and kids to come together in celebrating the deeper meaning of the season as they count down the days until Christmas.

Designed to follow the four weeks of Advent—Hope, Faith, Joy, and Peace—**‘TIS THE SEASON FAMILY ADVENT ACTIVITY BOOK** includes a short devotion on each theme followed by reflection questions and simple action prompts for every age level. Each of the four week-long sections also includes game ideas, recipes, holiday tips, fun facts, and encouragement on how to live out the themes of Advent as an individual, with your family, and in your community.

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Ink & Willow
September 2023
NT/Paperback
Coloring Book

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated April 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 248 x 248 mm (9-3/4 x 9-3/4 in)
Pages: 96
Illustrations: 45 B&W line drawings
Price: \$17.00

THE HOLLY AND THE IVY: A Coloring Book Celebrating the Wonder and Joy of Christmas
by Ink & Willow

Get into the spirit of the Christmas season with this beautiful coloring book for adults filled with festive illustrations and holiday-inspired quotes from beloved writers, songs, and Scripture.

With candles in the windows, lights in the trees, stockings over fireplaces, and the sound of bells in the air, Christmas really is one of the most wonderful times of the year! In the midst of Christmas shopping, party planning, and event hosting, this coloring book offers a beautiful and festive way to meditate on the wonder and joy of the season. Each beautifully illustrated page features an original design from a talented artist that illustrates a corresponding quote.

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Ink & Willow
November 2023
Hardcover/POB
Religion /
Devotional

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials available

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 140 x 178 mm (5-1/2 x 7 in)
Pages: 176
Illustrations: 60-70 4C photographs
Price: \$16.00

SIMPLY HOME: Reflections and Practical Tips for Loving Your Home Through Every Season
by Sarabeth Galimba

Home—whether an camper van, mansion, or anything in between—is where we recharge and rest, where we learn and grow, and where we welcome others. And for Christians, our home should act as a small reflection of God's kingdom on earth.

Unfortunately, our homes often feel anything but peaceful, ordered, or representative of who we are. If this sounds familiar, consider **SIMPLY HOME** a gift of inspiration and your personal invitation to quiet all voices of comparison and tune in to what really matters when it comes to your home—creating a space where you can know the love of God and share that love with others.

With twenty-eight devotions that span the four seasons of the year, **SIMPLY HOME** encourages you to begin creating the home you want on a schedule that works for you, offering customizable tactics, helpful tips, and an undated format. Accompanied by beautifully inspiring, full-color photographs that inspire peace instead of perfection, this devotional provides a sense of calm to each day.

Sarabeth Galimba is a wife, mother of four, artist, interior decorator, real estate agent, and former youth pastor. When she is not working on a home project with her husband or trying out a new recipe, she enjoys spending time making memories with her family and sharing home styling tips through her Instagram account @ladyofthehome.



Ink and Willow
November 2023
Trade Paperback
Original
Religion / Grief

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated April 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6 x 8 in)
Pages: 176
Illustrations: 2C illustrations
Price: \$17.00

BREATHING THROUGH GRIEF: A Devotional Journal for Seasons of Loss
by Dorina Lazo Gilmore-Young

Reflect on your unique path through grief with this guided journal, featuring compassionate resources, short devotionals, and heartfelt essays from the perspective of a woman who has walked her own journey of loss.

After the sudden loss of her husband, Dorina Lazo Gilmore-Young felt lost in her grief. With **BREATHING THROUGH GRIEF**, she provides a comforting, giftable resource for those who are processing their own loss, whether of a loved one, a season of life, or a dream. In addition to the twenty-five short devotionals that each focus on a different aspect of grief from Dorina's personal experience, the journal includes special resources such as breathing exercises, reflection questions, soul care tips, ample writing space, advice on how to talk to children about death, suggestions on how to approach triggers, and creative ways to honor a loved one's memory.

With a master of fine arts in children's literature and a passion for multiculturalism, **Dorina Lazo Gilmore-Young** is a writer, speaker, former news reporter, and foodie. Her children's book CORA COOKS PANCIT received the Picture Book of the Year Award from the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association.



Ink & Willow
February 2024
Trade Paperback
Original
Self-Help /
Journaling

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated May 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6 x 8 in)
Pages: 176
Illustrations: 4C photographs
Price: \$17.00

40 DAYS OF LIVING IN THE MOMENT: Guided Reflections from the Intersection of Ordinary and Divine
by Tama Fortner

40 DAYS OF LIVING IN THE MOMENT is an invitation to seek God and recognize His divine presence in even the most "ordinary" moments of your day. Whether folding clothes, tackling the day's to-do list, or wondering how fingerprints got on the ceiling, you can join bestselling author Tama Fortner in seeing and experiencing the holy ground right where you are.

With forty short, sometimes humorous and always real and thought-provoking devotions, this interactive devotional invites you to ponder the possibilities of a life lived fully in the presence of God. Each devotion offers a prayer, a point to ponder, and prompts for journaling and reflection. The peaceful, foliage-inspired artwork throughout the devotional promotes a spirit of rest even in the busiest lifestyles.

Rather than adding yet another item to already overloaded to-do lists and schedules, this inspirational devotional invites you to view every moment as a moment to be lived on holy ground. Because God's divine presence is always with you, waiting at the intersection of ordinary and divine.

Tama Fortner is a bestselling writer and ghostwriter with more than forty titles to her credit, including the Ink & Willow devotional SIMPLY CHRISTMAS and the ECPA Christian Book Award Winner HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD with Louie Giglio. As a ghostwriter, she has collaborated with some of the biggest names in Christian publishing to create inspirational books for children, teens, and adults. But her greatest accomplishments happen in a happy little home on the outskirts of Nashville, Tennessee.

Publishers of SIMPLY CHRISTMAS: German: *SCM Hanssler*



Ink & Willow
 April 2024
 Trade Paperback
 Original
 Self-Help /
 Journaling

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated July 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6 x 8 in)
 Pages: 96
 Illustrations: Hand lettering
 Price: \$18.00

ABUNDANT GRACE: 40 Days of Walking in the Goodness of God
by Will & Courtney Kassner

ABUNDANT GRACE, the debut book from Crew + Co. founders Courtney and Will Kassner, invites creative believers to meditate on and engage with Scripture daily with devotions that are accessible, beautifully designed, and deeply encouraging. Divided into three parts—Knowing God's Grace, Trusting God's Grace, and Showing God's Grace, this 40-day devotional guides you in recognizing the small moments of grace around you and teaches you how to cultivate a grace-filled perspective in even the busiest lifestyle.

Each of the forty spreads pairs a full-color hand-lettered Bible verse with a thoughtful devotion that closes with either a prayer or a reflection question for helping you recognize how God's grace works in your normal, everyday life.

Will and Courtney Kassner are the owners and creators of Crew + Co., a small, faith-based business that focuses on encouraging and colorful family devotional products. They grew up in the Memphis area and now live close by in north Mississippi. Their three children, Crew, Grey, and Sutton, were the inspiration to start their business in 2015. When not at work, Will and Courtney love being outdoors with the kids, growing wildflowers, and camping. You can learn more about their business at www.crewandco.com.



Ink & Willow
 May 2024
 Hardcover/POB
 Religion /
 Devotional

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated September 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 152 x 203 mm (6 x 8 in)
 Pages: 160
 Illustrations: 65-75 4C photographs
 Price: \$18.00

UNTITLED NATURE DEVOTIONAL
by Stephen Proctor

Tapping into this need for meaningful experiences in the great outdoors, visual artist and landscape cinematographer Stephen Proctor invites readers into a deeper appreciation for the natural world with **UNTITLED NATURE DEVOTIONAL**. In a voice that is both reverent and conversational, he urges readers to adopt an "overview" perspective of awe for God while appreciating our "small" place in creation.

Whether for avid outdoor adventure seekers or contemplatives who enjoy sitting in a garden or strolling in a park, the inspiring words in this devotional will draw readers back into an awareness of the beautiful world around them.

Stephen Proctor is a visual artist who specializes in landscape cinematography and aerial photography to curate calming, imaginative experiences. Many of his current collaborations are with film composers, ambient artists, and modern classical musicians. For the past twenty years, he has toured with various bands and authors, producing visually immersive experiences for live concerts and conferences all around the world. Stephen lives in a small cabin in the Columbia River Gorge just outside Portland, Oregon.



Ink & Willow
June 2024
Trade Paperback
Original
Games &
Activities /
Activity Books

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated October 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 127 x 178 mm (5 x 7 in)
Pages: 160
Illustrations: 2C illustrations
Price: \$14.00

THE BORED BOOK: *Activities and Mindful Fun for When You Have Nothing to Do*
by Ink & Willow

Inspired by the rise of digital detoxing, **THE BORED BOOK** offers an alternative to mindless scrolling with mindful activities, games, trivia, conversation starters, and other fun prompts for counteracting moments of boredom. Designed to be flexible and compact enough to be taken on the go, there are also resources for those looking for ways to dig deeper during “in between” moments: breath prayers, Scripture memory tips, and reflection questions.

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Ink & Willow
August 2024
Hardcover
Self-Help /
Humor

Editor: Leslie Calhoun
Rights: World
Co-Agents: Christian
Status: Materials estimated November 2023

Title Specs:

Trim Size: 140 x 178 mm (5-1/2 x 7 in)
Pages: 96
Illustrations: 50 4C photos
Price: \$16.00

YOU’VE GOT THIS: *Motivational Messages from Cinnamon the Hedgehog*
by Ink & Willow; Photographs by Audrianna Martin Del Campo

Starring professional photographer Audrianna Martin Del Campo’s pet hedgehog Cinnamon, this adorable hardcover gift book pairs full-color photos of Cinnamon with sweet mini-messages of encouragement.

Audrianna Martin Del Campo is a professional photographer and dancer who loves surrealism, storms, and hedgehogs. She and Cinnamon make their home in Toronto, Canada. See more of Cinnamon on Instagram @cinnamon.hodgepodge.



Ink & Willow
September 2024
NT/Paperback
Coloring Book

UNTITLED JENA HOLLIDAY COLORING BOOK
by Jena Holliday

A forthcoming coloring book featuring artwork by Jena Holliday.

Jena Holliday is an illustrator and author from Minnesota. Her work can be seen on her [website](#).

Editor: Jamie Lapeyrolerie
Rights: World
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