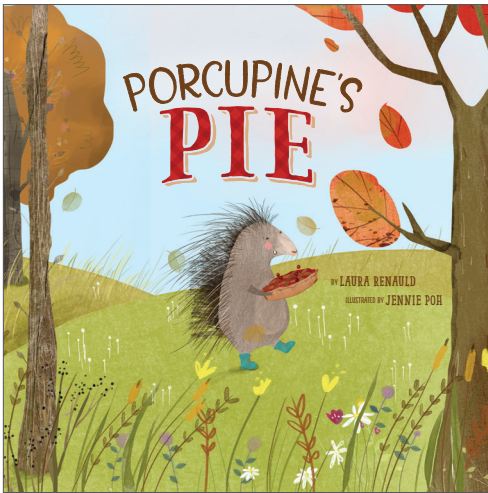




**beaming
books**



fall 2018 • catalog



Porcupine's Pie

Laura Renauld

Illustrated by Jennie Poh

WINNER OF THE BEAMING BOOKS PICTURE BOOK WRITING CONTEST!

Porcupine can't wait to share Fall Feast with her woodland friends, so when everyone she greets is unable to bake their specialty due to a missing ingredient, Porcupine generously offers staples from her pantry. When Porcupine discovers that she, too, is missing a key ingredient, the friends all work together to create a new Fall Feast tradition. *Porcupine's Pie* will inspire children ages 4-8 to act generously. A recipe for "friendship pie" can be found at the end of the book.

Publication 10/9/18

978-1-5064-3180-2

Hardcover 9" x 9"

32 pages

Ages 4-8

\$16.99

Children's / Fiction

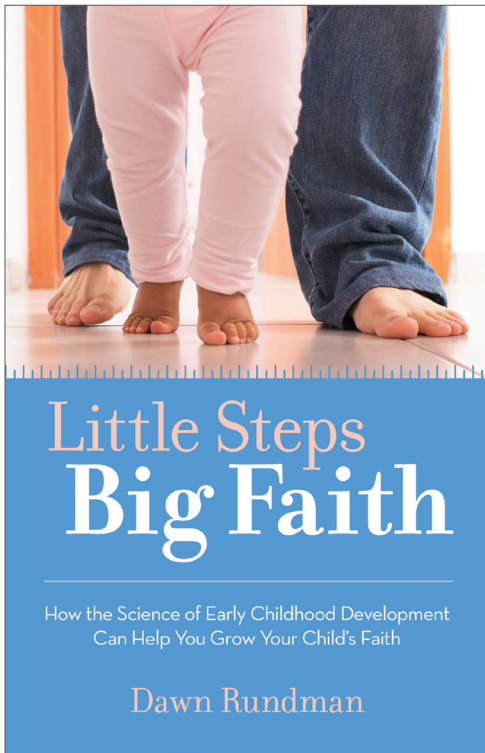
Laura Renauld is a former third-grade teacher. Laura grew up in Vermont, and now lives in northern Virginia with her husband and two sons. On hikes near their home, Laura secretly hopes she will find a pie-baking porcupine. This is her debut picture book.

Marketing plans:

- National print, radio, and online publicity
- Co-op advertising



Interior Sample



Publication 10/2/2018

978-1-5064-4685-1

eISBN 978-1-5064-4830-5

Paperback 5.5" x 8.5"

208 pages

Adult

\$15.99

Adult / Religious

Little Steps, Big Faith

How the Science of Early Childhood Development Can Help You Grow Your Child's Faith

Dawn Rundman

From brain science to language development and social skills, we've never known more about how children's minds develop in the first five years of life. Yet with all the information available, Christian parents may find themselves confused about how to apply these learnings to daily life with their children. In *Little Steps, Big Faith*, early childhood expert Dr. Dawn Rundman navigates the research to arrive at surprising insights about how very young children experience God, and how parents can use science to teach faith.

This book is available as an e-book! Visit your favorite e-book retailer to learn more.

Dawn Rundman, Ph.D. writes and speaks on the intersections between science and faith. Formerly a college professor, she's now a publishing professional and lives in the Twin Cities with her husband and their two children.

Marketing plans:

- National print, radio, television, and online publicity
- Outreach to Mothers of Preschoolers, Int.
- Church outreach
- Co-op

Download an introduction from the author at bit.ly/LSBFIntro

Generous Kids

Generous Kids books teach age-appropriate concepts about money, possessions, generosity, and contentment.

Caryn Rivadeneira is the author of seven books--for both children and adults. Her most recent titles include *Grit and Grace: Heroic Women of the Bible* (Sparkhouse Family) and *Broke: What Financial Desperation Revealed About God's Abundance* (IVP Books). Caryn serves on the worship staff at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church and is a proud member of INK: A Creative Collective and the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. Caryn lives in the near-west suburbs of Chicago with her husband, three kids, and one rescued pit bull. Find Caryn on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat or visit her at carynrivadeneira.com.



Publication 8/14/2018
978-1-5064-4679-0
Board book 6" x 6"
22 pages
Ages 0-3
\$7.99
Children's / Fiction

Mine!

A Counting Book About Sharing

Caryn Rivadeneira

Illustrated by Amanda Gulliver

A group of children counts up the things that belong to them. Mine, mine, mine! But then--surprise!--they share with each other to make one big party for themselves and their friends! Especially designed for children 0-3, *Mine!* is a counting book that teaches the concepts of yours and mine, while also reminding kids that we all have more fun when we share together.



Interior Sample



Publication 8/14/2018
978-1-5064-4680-6
Hardcover 8.5" x 10"
32 pages
Ages 4-6
\$14.99
Children's / Fiction

It's Not Fair!

A Book About Having Enough

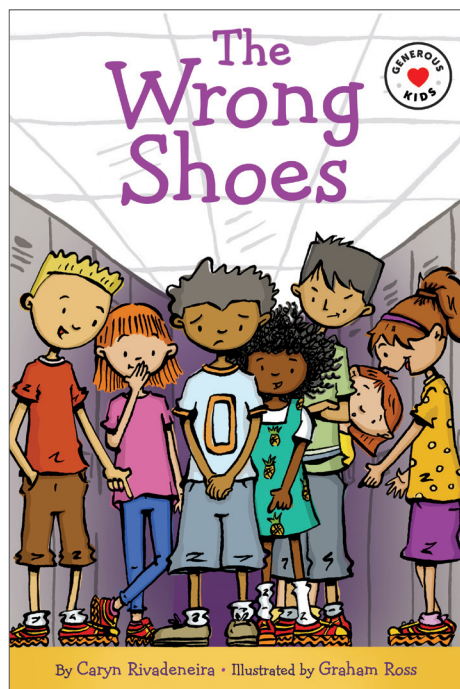
Caryn Rivadeneira

Illustrated by Isabel Muñoz

Roxy Ramirez has saved up for weeks to buy a chemistry set, and now she's headed to the toy store to buy it! There's only one problem: along the way, she keeps running into friends who are in trouble, and need her to dip into her savings to help. Will she have enough money left over to buy something for herself? Especially designed for kids 4-6, *It's Not Fair!* teaches kids about money, choices, fairness, and having enough.

Marketing plans for Generous Kids series:

- National print, radio, television, and online publicity
- Cross-promotion with Brightpeak and Thrivent Financial outreach
- Church outreach
- Marketing video
- Co-op
- Influencer campaign
- GenerousKids.com
- Outreach to Mothers of Preschoolers, Int.
- Major email outreach campaign



The Wrong Shoes

A Book About Money and Self-Worth

Caryn Rivadeneira

Illustrated by Graham Ross

Marco loved his Super Stepper Running Shoes when he saw them in the store—but on the first day of school he discovers that everybody was wearing Jupiter Jumpers. He wanted those shoes. He needed those shoes. But his dad said no, and his mom said he should earn some money and save up for them himself. Marco never had a job before! So he grabbed his trusty Field Guide and his best friend Amelia for a quest through the wild world of money—a quest that teaches them some unexpected things. Especially designed for kids 7-8, *The Wrong Shoes* teaches kids about money, hard work, self-esteem, and the real value of the stuff we own.

Publication 8/14/2018

978-1-5064-4681-3

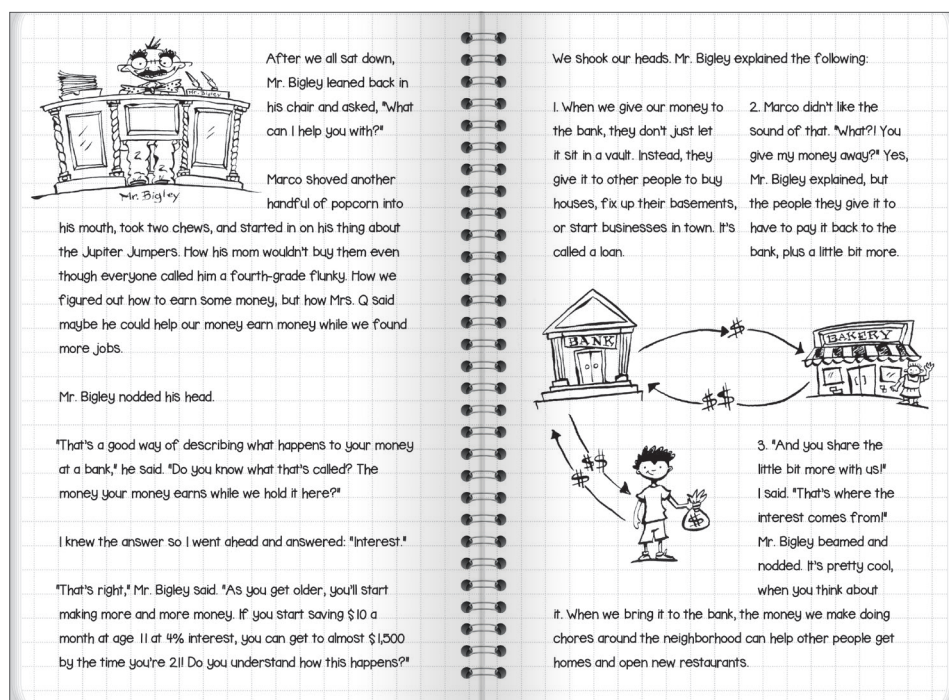
Hardcover 6" x 9"

80 pages

Ages 7-8

\$14.99

Children's / Fiction

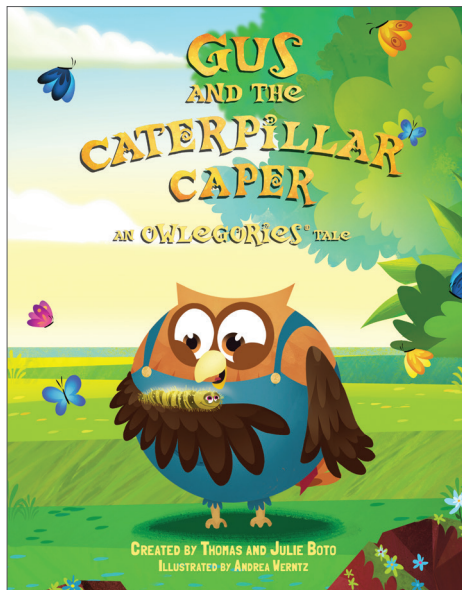


Interior Sample

Owlegories

Featuring the funny, feathery friends from the Owlegories® video series, Owlegories® picture books will have preschoolers giggling as they learn about the ways nature teaches us about God. Each book includes a short family devotional to help grown-ups talk more about the object lesson of the story through simple activities, memory verses, and adventures that will get you out of the house and into God's glorious creation.

Thomas Boto is the creator of Owlegories®. He and his wife, Julie, live in Texas with their five sons.



Gus and the Caterpillar Caper

An Owlegories Tale

Thomas and Julie Boto

Illustrated by Andrea Wertz

After borrowing the class caterpillars for the weekend, Gus can't find them anywhere! After looking high and low for the caterpillars, he learns about the life cycle of a caterpillar—and a valuable reminder about what it means to be reborn in Christ.

Publication 7/10/2018

978-1-5064-3311-0

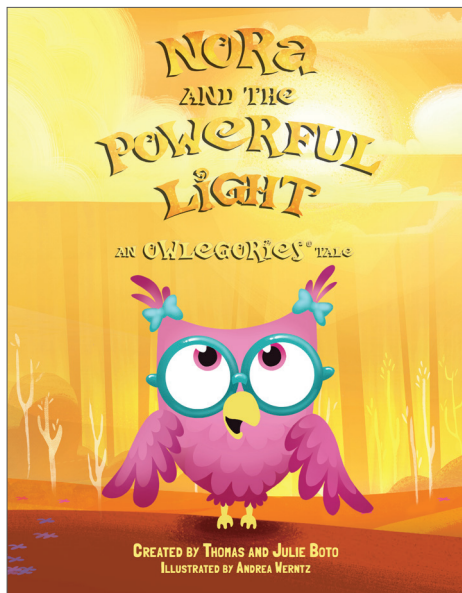
Hardcover 7" x 9"

32 pages

Ages 3-5

\$12.99

Children's / Religious



Nora and the Powerful Light

An Owlegories Tale

Thomas and Julie Boto

Illustrated by Andrea Wertz

Nora is gearing up for the big Science Fair project and gets in over her head when she chooses "darkness" as her topic. Determined to study darkness, Nora tries to find the darkest place possible. The night sky isn't dark enough. Closing her eyes isn't dark enough. Even a cave has points of light peeking through. True darkness is hard to find, because the sun's light is so powerful. As she learns more about darkness and light, Nora learns something about faith too: God's power to light up the darkness is given to anyone who follows Jesus.

Publication 7/10/2018

978-1-5064-3312-7

Hardcover 7" x 9"

32 pages

Ages 3-5

\$12.99

Children's / Religious

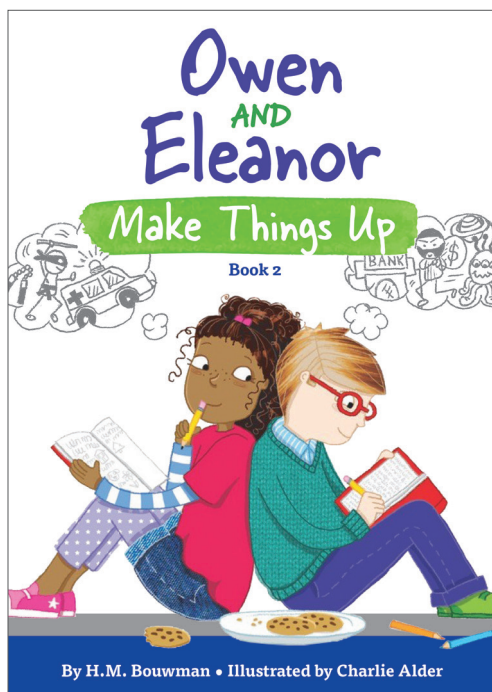


Interior sample from *Gus and the Caterpillar Caper*

Marketing plans for Owlegories:

- National print and online publicity
- Cross-promotion with Owlegories DVDs and Apps
- Co-op

Owen and Eleanor



Publication 11/6/2018

136 pages

5" x 7"

Ages 7-9

Children's /Fiction

Paperback 978-1-5064-4845-9

\$7.99

Hardcover 978-1-5064-4937-1

\$9.99

eISBN 978-1-5064-4846-6

Owen and Eleanor Make Things Up

H.M. Bouwman

Illustrated by Charlie Alder

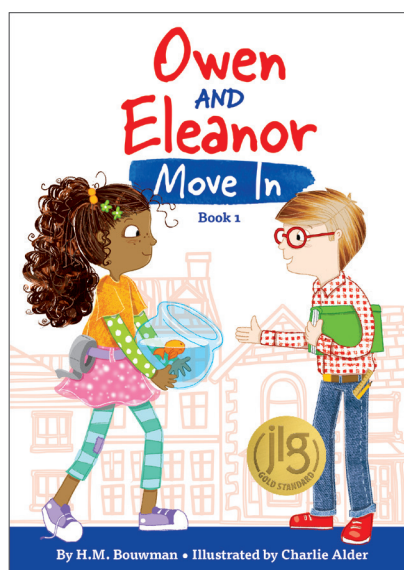
Owen is doing the same creative writing project for homeschooling that Eleanor is doing in public school! They have to write an interesting story about their lives. The problem is: their lives aren't that interesting. So Eleanor decides to fix the problem by doing exciting things—with not-so-great results. When they join a community martial arts class, Owen sees a different way to make an interesting story happen...by making something up that sounds true even though it isn't. When they both end up in trouble—again—they learn that making up fake stories to fool people isn't a good way to live.

The Owen and Eleanor series follows two kids from two different families as they navigate the ups and downs of childhood. The duo learns important lessons about faith, values, and friendship.

This book is available as an ebook! Check with your favorite ebook retailer for more information.

In addition to the Owen and Eleanor series, **H.M. Bouwman** writes middle grade historical fantasy, including *The Remarkable & Very True Story of Lucy & Snowcap* (2008) and *A Crack in the Sea* (2017). She is also an associate professor of English at the University of St. Thomas, a homeschooling mom, a member of Hamline United Methodist Church, and a martial artist.

Also Available



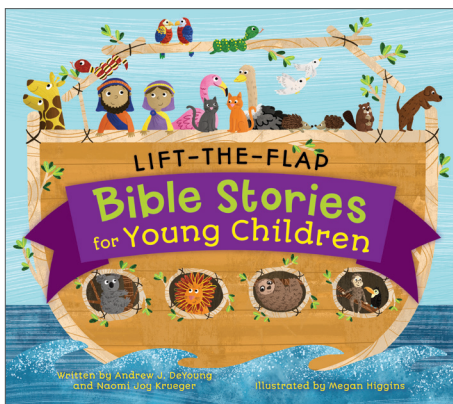
Owen and Eleanor Move In

Publication April 3, 2018

Paperback 978-1-5064-3972-3

Hardcover 978-1-5064-4936-4

eISBN 978-1-5064-3974-7



Lift-the-Flap Bible Stories for Young Children

Andrew J. DeYoung and Naomi Joy Krueger

Illustrated by Megan Higgins

The timeless stories of the Bible are full of surprises in this vibrant, colorful lift-the-flap book. With secrets to discover and unfold on every page, *Lift-the-Flap Bible Stories for Young Children* brings God's Word to life, from Adam and Eve to the story of Easter.

Andrew J. DeYoung is a writer and editor of children's books. He lives in Saint Paul, Minnesota with his wife and daughter.

Naomi Joy Krueger is a writer and editor based in Saint Paul, Minnesota. She is the author of the board book, *I Can Praise God* and editor of *Spark Story Bible Psalm Book: Prayers and Poems for Kids*.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op

Publication 9/4/2018

978-1-5064-4684-4

Board Book 9"x 8"

16 pages

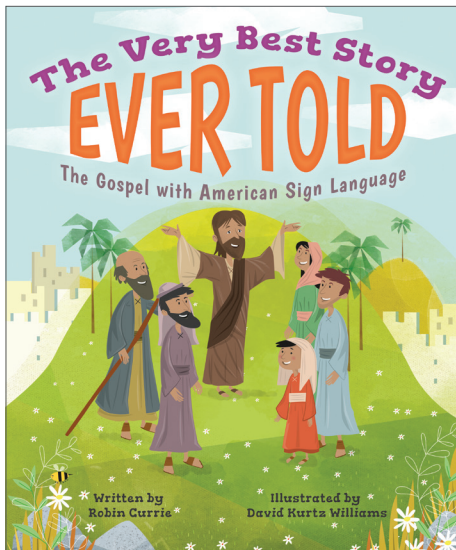
Ages 0-3

\$12.99

Children's / Religious



Interior Sample



Publication 8/7/2018
 978-1-5064-3811-5
 Hardcover 8.5"x 10"
 32 pages
 Ages 3-5
 \$16.99
 Children's / Religious

The Very Best Story Ever Told

The Gospel with American Sign Language

Robin Currie

Illustrated by David Kurtz Williams

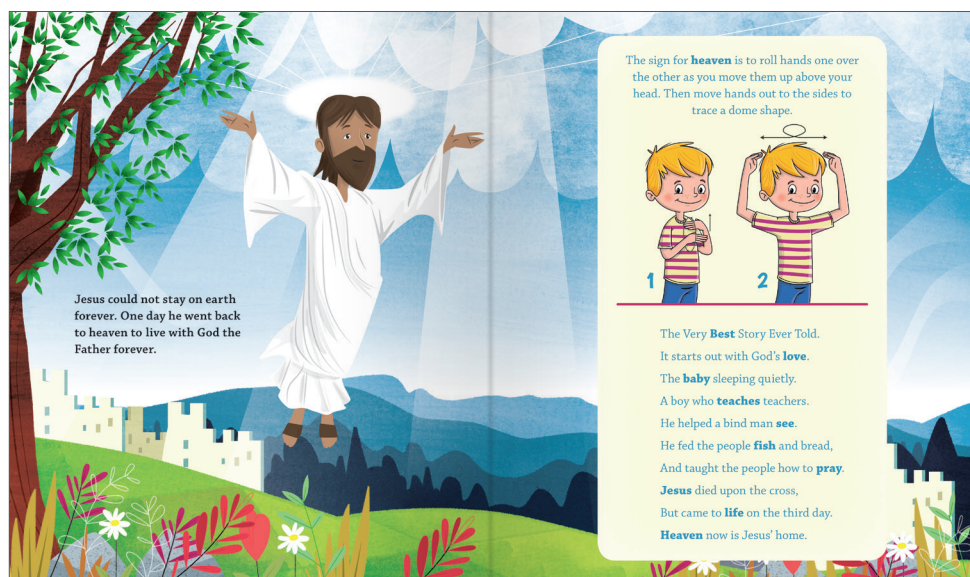
The Very Best Story Ever Told shares the essence of the Gospel story in a unique and creative way, from God's love for the world to Jesus' life to the Spirit surrounding us today. Each line of this story includes important words reinforced with American Sign Language signs to engage the whole person. All three ways of learning: visual, auditory and kinesthetic are fully engaged.

Robin Currie is the author of dozens of books for young children, including the *Baby Bible Series* (David C. Cook) and *Tuktuk: Tundra Tale* (Abordale Publishing). Robin led the children's departments of several public libraries providing reference services and literacy foundations to the smallest patrons and supporting their parents. Midlife, she was called to ordained ministry and served Grace Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

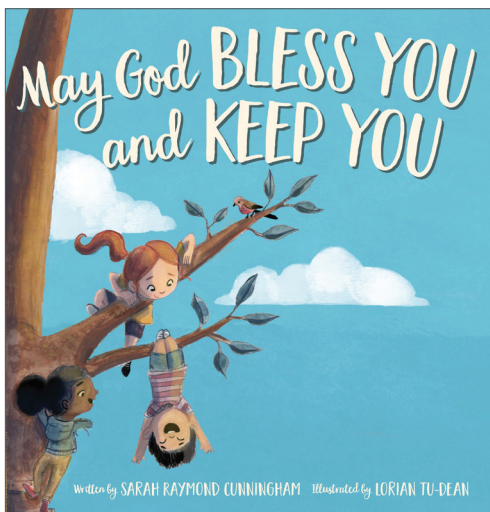
David Kurtz Williams is a graphic designer and illustrator from the North West of England. David is the illustrator of *Robyn Silver: The Darkest Dream* by Paula Harrison (Scholastic, 2017) and *Kitty's Magic: Misty the Scared Kitten* by Ella Moonheart (Bloomsbury, 2018).

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Cross-promotion with ASL interest groups
- Church outreach
- Marketing video



Interior Sample



Publication 8/28/2018

978-1-5064-4531-1

Hardcover 9"x 9"

32 pages

Ages 3-5

\$16.99

Children's / Religious

May God Bless You and Keep You

Sarah Raymond Cunningham

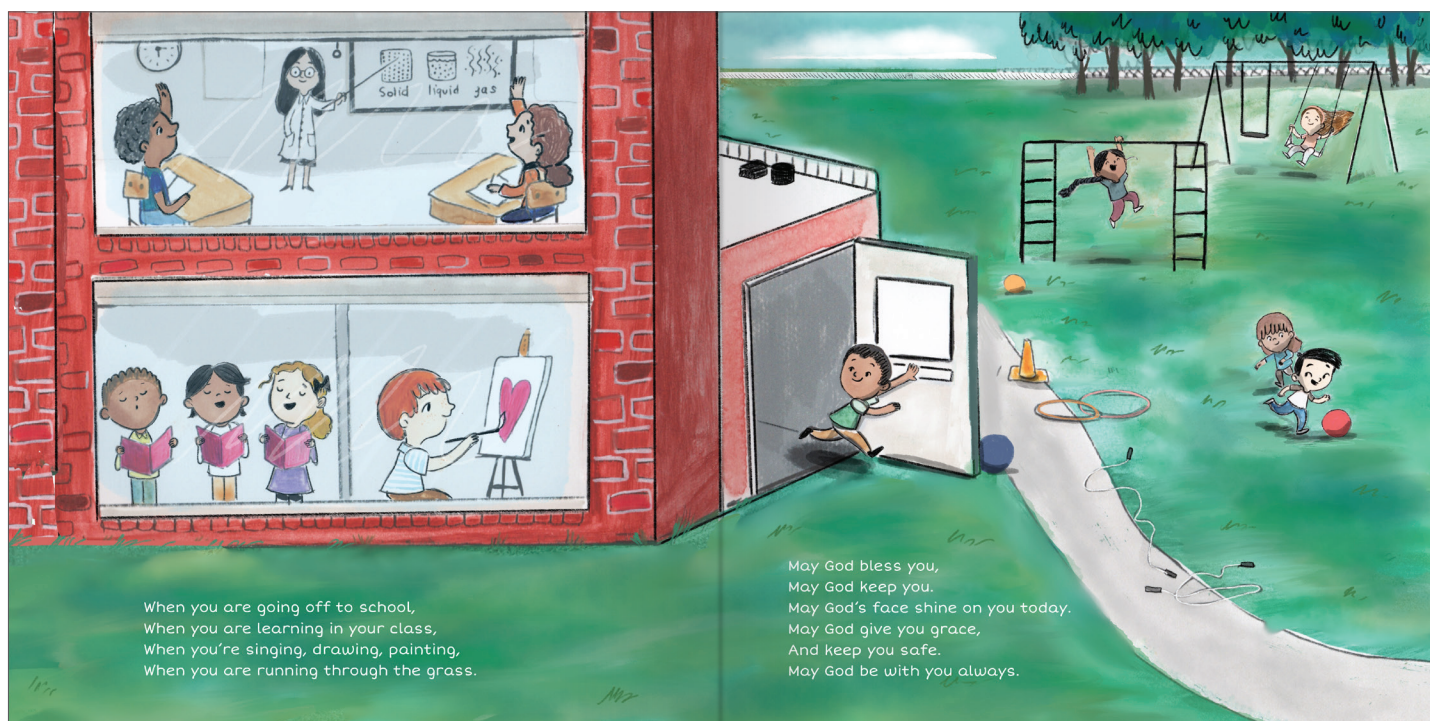
Illustrated by Lorian Tu-Dean

In gentle rhyming text, Sarah Cunningham explores the curiosity and wonder of a child's life from the playroom to the playground, dinnertime to alone time, all with a recurring chorus: May God bless you and keep you... Perfect as a gift for baptisms, baby dedications, showers, First Communion or graduations, *May God Bless You and Keep You* will give encouragement and blessing to kids at any stage in the wondrous journey of growing up.

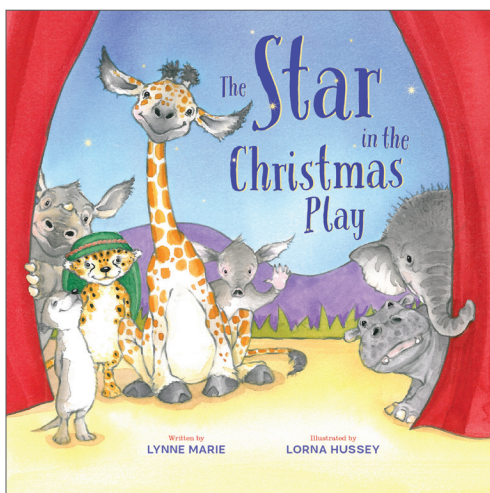
Sarah Raymond Cunningham is the author of *Portable Faith* and *The Well Balanced World Changer* and the creator of the children's Christmas book *The Donkey in the Living Room*. As a freelance consultant, she has also helped develop some of the top Christian events in the country. She blogs about finding extraordinary friendships in an ordinary world at: www.sarahcunningham.org.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op



Interior Sample



Publication 10/16/2018

978-1-5064-3813-9

Hardcover 9"x 9"

32 pages

Ages 4-8

\$16.99

Children's / Fiction

The Star in the Christmas Play

Lynne Marie

Illustrated by Lorna Hussey

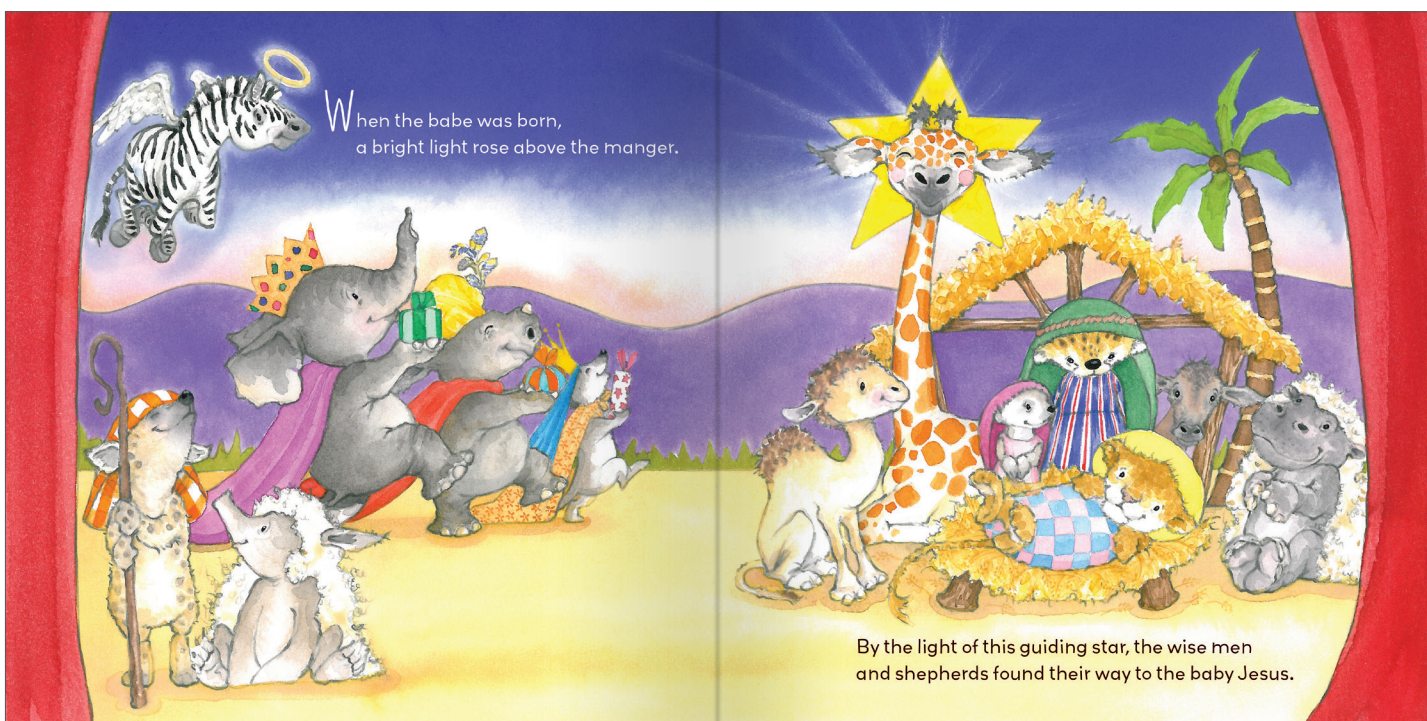
All of the savannah animals are excited to audition for the school Christmas Play, except Raffi the giraffe. He's too tall to play baby Jesus, or Joseph, or even a manger animal. He feels discouraged, until he realizes that he's just the right size to play the most important part. This endearing Christmas story for ages 4 to 8 will resonate with children who are still learning to be comfortable in their own skin.

Lynne Marie is the author of *Hedgehog Goes to Kindergarten*, illustrated by Anne Kennedy (Scholastic, 2011) and *Hedgehog's 100th Day of School*, also illustrated by Lorna Hussey (Scholastic, 2017). Her stories, poems, and folk tales have appeared in many magazine markets, including *Family Fun*, *Highlights*, *High Five*, *Spider*, *Baby Bug* and more. She is a 2016 Cybils Awards panelist in the picture book category, as well as an on-staff writer for Jon and Laura Bard's Children's Book Insider and a book reviewer. She lives on a lake in South Florida with her daughter and several resident water birds.

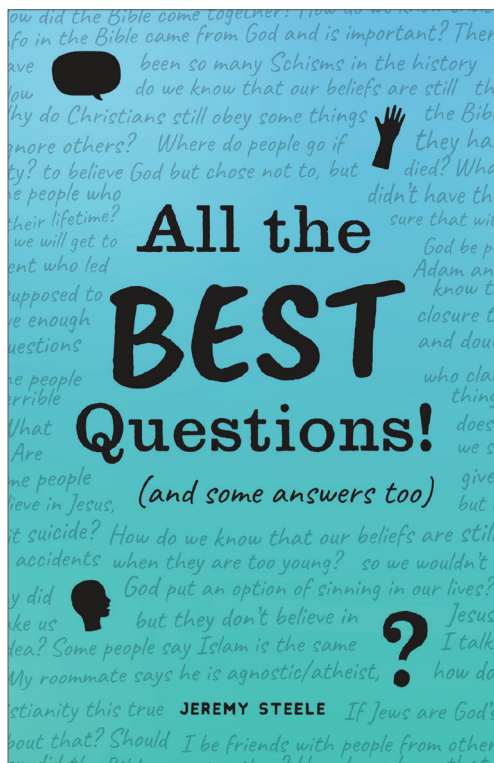
Lorna Hussey is the author and illustrator of *Little Lost Unicorn* (Sterling, 2009) and the illustrator of *Good Good Father*, by Chris Tomlin and Pat Barrett (Thomas Nelson, 2016), *This Bear's Birthday* by Alyssa Satin Capucilli (Henry Holt and Co., 2017), and *Pigloo* by Anne Marie Pace (Henry Holt and Co., 2016). Lorna lives in a small village called Llansantffraid in Wales, England with her husband Andy, and three grown up children, Joe, Matti, and Abi.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op



Interior Sample



Publication 9/18/2018
978-1-5064-3808-5
eISBN 978-1-5064-4831-2
Paperback 5.5"x 8.5"
208 pages
Ages 10-14
\$14.99
Juvenile / Religious

All the Best Questions!

And Some Answers, Too

Jeremy Steele

How can I be certain I'll go to heaven? Why are there so many kinds of Christianity? What does the Bible say about drugs and alcohol? What's the deal with evolution?

Youth pastor Jeremy Steele has spent his career answering teens' questions about faith, life, and the world—and *All the Best Questions!* brings all the toughest questions he's gotten together in one book...with some answers, too. From theology to evolution, *All the Best Questions!* will help young people get answers to the questions they're afraid to ask—and give them the tools they need to wrestle with their own answers.

This book is available as an e-book! Visit your favorite e-book retailer to learn more.

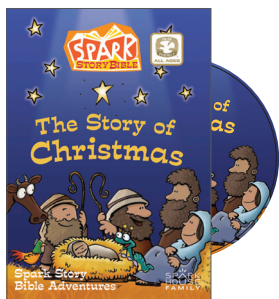
When he is not playing with his four children with his wonderful wife, **Jeremy Steele** is a teaching pastor at Christ UMC in Mobile, AL. Jeremy is the author of several books and resources including *Reclaiming the Lost Soul of Youth Ministry* and *The Book of Everyday Prayer*. You can find a list of all his books, articles and resources for churches at his website: JeremyWords.com and follow him on Twitter: @unpretending.

Download a free chapter at bit.ly/ATBQ18

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Church outreach
- Youth ministry outreach

Spotlight • Holiday



The Story of Christmas

Spark Story Bible Adventures

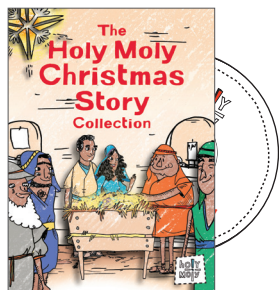
978-1-5064-1780-6
UPC 851565006200
DVD • Run Time 40 min.
Ages 3-10
\$14.99



The Story of Christmas

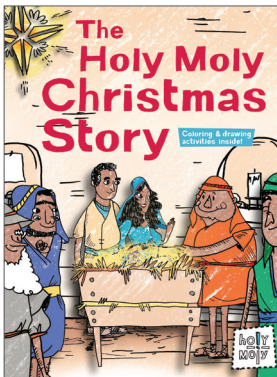
A Spark Bible Story

978-1-5064-0224-6
Hardcover • 7" x 9"
32 pages • Ages 4-8
\$12.99



The Holy Moly Christmas Story Collection DVD

978-1-5064-0242-0
UPC 851565006125
DVD • Run Time 25 min.
Ages 3-10
\$14.99



The Holy Moly Christmas Story

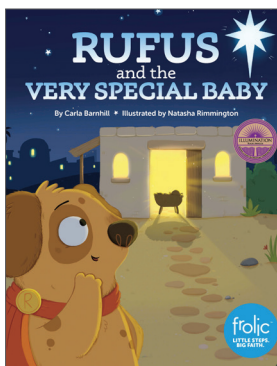
978-1-5064-0257-4
Hardcover • 7" x 9"
32 pages • Ages 4-8
\$12.99



The First Christmas

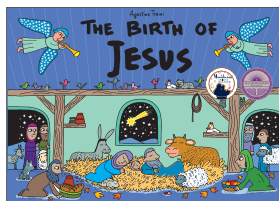
A Play and Learn Book

978-1-5064-1763-9
Paperback • 64 pages
8" x 10" • Ages 5-8
\$9.99



Rufus and the Very Special Baby

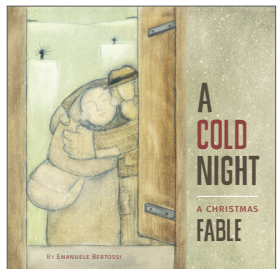
978-1-5064-1762-2
Hardcover • 7" x 9"
32 pages • Ages 3-5
\$12.99



The Birth of Jesus

A Christmas Pop-Up Book

978-1-5064-1769-1
Hardcover • 14 pages
10.125" x 7.5" • Ages 4-8
\$19.99



A Cold Night

A Christmas Fable

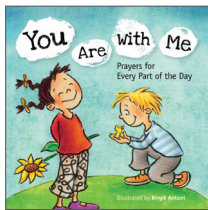
978-1-5064-2496-5
Hardcover • 11" x 11"
28 pages • Ages 4-8
\$14.99



Thanksgiving in the Woods

978-1-5064-2508-5
Hardcover • 10" x 10"
40 pages • Ages 4-8
\$16.99

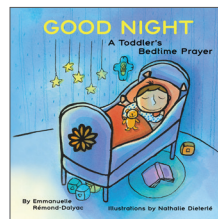
Selected Backlist



You Are With Me

Prayers for Every Part of the Day

978-1-5064-2498-9



Good Night

A Toddler's Bedtime Prayer

978-1-5064-2497-2



Adriana's Angels

978-1-5064-1832-2

Los ángeles de Adriana

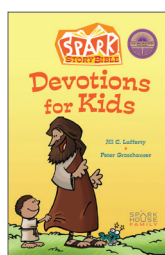
(Spanish)

978-1-5064-2507-8



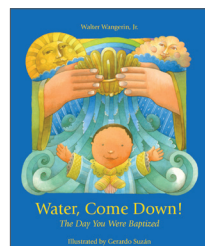
Maybe God Is Like That Too

978-1-5064-2189-6



Spark Story Bible Devotions for Kids

978-1-5064-1766-0



Water, Come Down!

The Day You Were Baptized

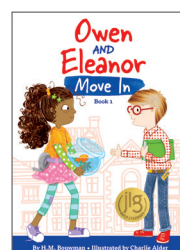
978-0-8066-3711-2



Spark Story Bible Psalm Book

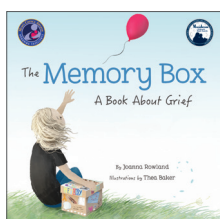
Prayers and Poems for Kids

978-1-5064-1768-4



Owen and Eleanor Move In

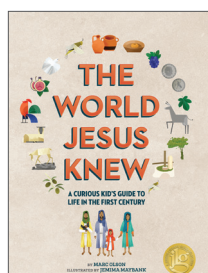
978-1-5064-3972-3



The Memory Box

A Book About Grief

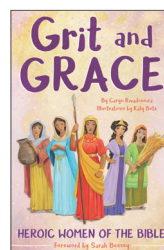
978-1-5064-2672-3



The World Jesus Knew

A Curious Kid's Guide to Life in the First Century

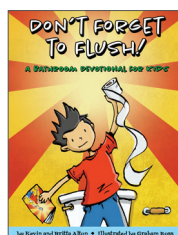
978-1-5064-2500-9



Grit and Grace

Heroic Women of the Bible

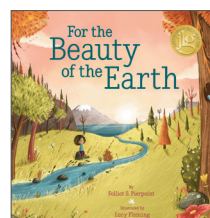
978-1-5064-2495-8



Don't Forget to Flush

A Bathroom Devotional for Kids

978-1-5064-2701-0



For the Beauty of the Earth

978-1-5064-2183-4

Frolic

Little Steps. Big Faith.™



Hardcover books

7" x 9"

32 pages

Ages 3-5

\$12.99

Children's/Religion

Rufus and his Angry Tail

A Book about Anger

978-1-5064-1049-4

Jo and the Slow Soup

A Book about Patience

978-1-5064-1048-7

Hal and the New Kid

A Book about Making Friends

978-1-5064-1050-0

Ava and the Skimpy Picnic

A Book about Sharing

978-1-5064-1051-7

Uri and the Busy Day

A Book about Feeling Overwhelmed

978-1-5064-1787-5

Rufus Loses His Cape

A Book about Asking for Help

978-1-5064-1788-2

Hal and the Very Long Race

A Book about Self-Acceptance

978-1-5064-1789-9

Happy Birthday, Ava!

A Book about Putting Others First

978-1-5064-1786-8

Jo and the Not-So-Little Lie

A Book about Telling the Truth

978-1-5064-2503-0

Ava and the Big Ouch

A Book about Feeling Better

978-1-5064-2504-7

Hal and the Prickle Problem

A Book about Doing Your Part

978-1-5064-3970-9

Rufus and the Scary Storm

A Book about Being Brave

978-1-5064-3971-6



Board Books

6" x 6"

Ages 0-3

\$6.99

Children's/Religion

God Made Us All

A Book about Big and Little

978-1-5064-1044-9

God Made Feelings

A Book about Emotions

978-1-5064-1782-0

Good Morning, World!

A Book about Morning Routines

978-1-5064-1785-1

Pray to God!

A Book about Prayer

978-1-5064-1046-3

God's Wonderful World

A Book about the Five Senses

978-1-5064-1047-0

Clap, Sing, Dance!

A Book about Praising God

978-1-5064-1783-7

I Can Help

A Book about Helping Others

978-1-5064-1784-4

God Made the Animals

978-1-5064-2185-8

God Loves You!

978-1-5064-2184-1

God Finds Us

A Book about Being Found

978-1-5064-1045-6

I Can Praise God

978-1-5064-2190-2

Frolic Bible Babies

978-1-5064-2499-6

Everyone Gets Upset

A Book about Frustration

978-1-5064-2501-6

Thank You, God

A Book about Thankfulness

978-1-5064-2502-3

We're Better Together

A Book about Differences

978-1-5064-3968-6

Sleep Tight Tonight

A Book about Bedtime

978-1-5064-3969-3



An imprint of 1517 Media
P.O. Box 1209
Minneapolis, MN 55440-1209

NONPROFIT ORG.
US POSTAGE
PAID
TWIN CITIES MN
PERMIT NO. 533

A Story Bible for Every Reader



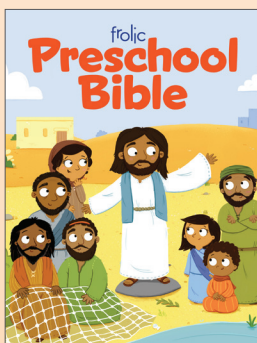
For the Listener



978-1-5064-1043-2



For the Emerging
Reader



978-1-5064-2077-6



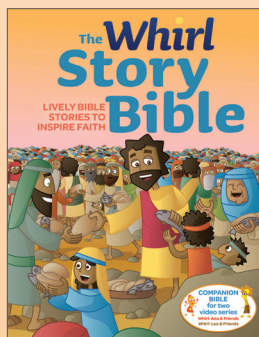
For the Bookworm



978-1-4514-9978-0



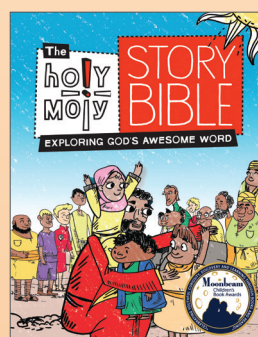
For the Comic Fan



978-1-5064-0000-6



For the Artist



978-1-4514-9988-9

Ingram/Spring Arbor
800-395-5599

Baker & Taylor
800-775-1800

Genesis Marketing Group
800-627-2651



ITEM008811

1517 Media

Sparkhouse Family and Beaming Books are imprints of 1517 Media. 1517 Media creates multimedia resources and distinctive books for Christian communities, students, scholars, and the general reader. For more information, visit BeamingBooks.com.