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When Beaming Books first started, we dreamed of publishing books that make kids smile, books that give them the confidence to let every part of who they are shine through, books that help them grow to be the people they're meant to be. Books, in short, that help kids thrive.

Today, I'm pleased to be looking at a season of books fulfilling that aspiration. Focusing on books that help kids thrive socially, emotionally, and spiritually has in some ways expanded our horizons as an imprint—in others, brought us greater focus than ever before.

This season, helping kids thrive includes a handful of books celebrating the power of loving friendships and family relationships, from the bonds between parents and children in Della Ross Ferreri's *Precious Baby*, to friendships in Joanna Rowland's comforting *Stay Through the Storm* and Tim McGlen's fable-like *Antonino's Impossible Dream*. It includes books about the importance of empathy and kindness, from Amy Webb's meditation on disability and difference in *When Charley Met Emma* to Jennifer Grant's exploration of ethics and community in *Maybe I Can Love My Neighbor Too*. It also includes a continued commitment to high-quality religious books, with titles like Rebecca Ninke's gently humorous *There's No Wrong Way to Pray*, Caryn Rivadeneira's stories of Bible girl-power in *Gritty and Graceful*, and Joyce Ellis's gorgeous retelling of the biblical creation story in *The Fabulous World That God Made*. Each book is accompanied by beautiful illustrations that will light up the imagination.

From friendship to empathy and community, from general market titles about universal human values to religious books written from a Christian perspective, we believe these are books that fulfill our goal of helping kids thrive. Working with talented authors and illustrators who care deeply about children and want to empower them as they grow is truly the privilege of a lifetime. It's what keeps us coming to the office every morning to do this deeply meaningful work. We're proud to share the results of that work with you—and eager for children and families to begin enjoying and benefiting from these excellent titles.

Happy reading!

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Andrew DeYoung Editorial Director Beaming Books



Maybe I Can Love My Neighbor Too



Publication 5/14/2019 978-1-5064-5201-2 Hardcover 8.5" x 11" 32 pages Ages 5-8 \$16.99 Children's/Religious

Interior Sample:



Maybe I Can Love My Neighbor Too

Jennifer Grant Illustrated by Benjamin Schipper

In this follow-up to the award-winning Maybe God Is Like That Too, a young girl wonders how to be a good neighbor to the dozens of people in her apartment building, the people on the street, and the other kids at the park. With help from her mama, the girl discovers that all it takes is a little kindness and creativity to show love to neighbors near and far.

Jennifer Grant is a writer, editor and speaker living in the Chicago area with her husband, four children, and two rescue dogs.

Benjamin Schipper lives in Greenville, South Carolina with his wife, Karen, and their little black dog, Willow.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Church outreach

Also Available:



Publication 2/21/2017 978-1-5064-2189-6



Publication 3/5/2019 978-1-5064-5206-7 Hardcover 9.25" x 9.25" 32 pages Ages 5-8 \$16.99 Children's/Religious

Marketing plans:

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

Interior Sample:

I am Miriam

Pharaoh, the King of Egypt, wanted to kill all Hebrew babies. We were Hebrew So my mom and I floated my baby brother Moses down the river, rayging 6od would protect him. When Pharaoh's daughter found Moses, my stomach dropped. But the princess picked him up and cradled him. I told the princess my mom could be Moses' namy. The princes agreed! Because of what I did, Moses greew up to free our people from slivery. I led alongside him and wrote songs of praise.

VERSE: "Then [Miriam] asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" "Yes, go," she answered



Gritty and Graceful

15 Inspiring Women of the Bible

Caryn Rivadeneira Illustrated by Sonya Abby Soekarno

God gave girls grit and grace. From the very beginning, God looked to girls and women to teach, to lead, to love, and to change the world. We know this because we can read their stories in the Bible.

From Eve to Mary and everyone in between, the Bible is full of gritty and graceful women who faced tough circumstances with courage, toughness, intelligence, and faith.

This companion to Caryn Rivadeneira's critically acclaimed *Grit and Grace: Heroic Women of the Bible* combines exciting storytelling with the vivid illustrations of Sonya Abby Soekarno to bring the stories of these biblical women to life. *Gritty and Graceful: 15 Inspiring Women of the Bible* will inspire the gritty and graceful girls in your life to imagine their place in God's story, how they can make a difference in the world, and do great things for God.

Caryn Rivadeneira has written books for both children and adults. She lives in the near-west suburbs of Chicago with her husband, three kids, and one rescued pit bull.

Sonya Abby Soekamo is an illustrator and visual devleopment artist currently based in San Francisco.

Also Available:



Publication 8/15/2017 978-1-5064-2495-8



When Charley Met Emma

Amy Webb Illustrated by Merrilee Liddiard

When Charley goes to the playground and sees Emma, a girl with limb differences who gets around in a wheelchair, he doesn't know how to react at first. But after he and Emma start talking, he learns that different isn't bad, sad, or strange—different is just different, and different is great! This delightful book will help kids think about disability, kindness, and how to behave when they meet someone who is different from them.

Amy Webb is an artist, writer, and blogger. She lives in Cincinnatio, Ohio with her husband and three beautiful daughters.

Merrilee Liddiard is known for her love of kids' design, toys, and DIY crafts. When not drawing or creating things for her three children, Merrilee loves to travel, wander museums, sew, thrift, read, and nap.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Cross-promotion with special interest groups

Publication 3/12/2019 978-1-5064-4872-5 Hardcover 8.75" x 10.25" 32 pages Ages 3-5 \$16.99 Children's/Fiction





Publication 1/8/2019 978-1-5064-5208-1 Hardcover 10" x 10" 32 pages Ages 5-8 \$16.99 Children's/Fiction

Love Is

Karine-Marie Amiot Illustrated by Madeleine Brunelet

Opening our hearts to a new friend. Comforting each other when we're sad. Forgiving each other. Playing for hours with friends. Including someone who feels lonely. Love is all of these things, and more! This book will help children understand what love means and remind all readers that we were meant to love and be loved in return.

A perfect gift for Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Grandparents' Day, birthdays—or any occasion where you want to tell someone, "I love you!"

Karine-Marie Amiot begins writing as soon as her eight children leave for school in the morning. She is the author of dozens of children's books. She currently lives in Versailles, France.

Madeleine Brunelet has illustrated dozens of books, including the French classics *The Little Red Hen* and *Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp*.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Valentine's Day/gift book promotion



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Publication 4/30/2019 978-1-5064-4933-3 Hardcover 8.75" x 10.25" 32 pages Ages 4-8 \$17.99 Children's/Fiction

Antonino's Impossible Dream

Tim McGlen Illustrated by Sophia Touliatou

Winner of the Beaming Books Picture Book Writing Contest!

Antonino is a young artist who dreams of painting a masterpiece, an impossible dream he calls "Friend." When he gets stuck, inspiration comes from an unexpected place.

A dreamlike fable about the power of friendship and imagination, *Antonino's Impossible Dream* is a children's story told in timeless style by author Tim McGlen, with captivating illustrations by Sophia Touliatou.

Tim McGlen is a former advertising copywriter who currently directs an upper-elementary Montessori classroom in Florida.

Sophia Touliatou has studied Graphic Design and works as an illustrator, doing mostly children's books, many of which have received merits and awards. You can find her work in Greece, France, Italy, Germany, Spain, the United States, and other countries around the world.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising





Publication 2/12/2019 978-1-5064-4772-8 Hardcover 9" x 9" 32 pages Ages 3-5 \$16.99 Children's/Fiction

When Day is Done

Natalee Creech Illustrated by Robert Dunn

The sun is setting and it's almost night. Children from various families say goodnight to friends—including the sun, trees, and flowers—and move inside to complete their bedtime routines. With vivid imagery and childfriendly poetry, each verse ends with the simple refrain, "We sleep when day is done." *When Day Is Done* is a soothing bedtime book, perfect for calming down after a busy day.

Natalee Creech lives in Oklahoma with her family, where she is living out her dream of working in a library and writing children's books.

Robert Dunn is a Scottish illustrator specializing in editorial, children's, and picture book illustration.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising





Publication 5/21/2019 978-1-5064-4856-5 Hardcover 8" x 8" 32 pages Ages 3-5 \$15.99 Children's/Religious

God's Protection Covers Me

Amy Houts Illustrated by David Creighton-Pester

This lively picture book follows a young boy around a farm as he observes different animals and compares their protective shelters to God's protection. The rhyming text is accompanied by bold, playful illustrations that tell their own story of God's protection as a rain storm causes the boy to seek shelter of his own. God's Protection Covers Me is a charming book for young children that demonstrates God's constant care.

Amy Houts is the author of over 70 books for young children. She lives in rural Northwest Missouri with her husband Steve.

David Creighton-Pester is an illustrator and graphic designer from Hamilton, New Zealand, where he lives with his wife and two young children.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Church outreach





Publication 2/19/2019 978-1-5064-4932-6 Hardcover 9.25" x 9.25" 32 pages Ages 4-8 \$15.99 Children's/Religious

There's No Wrong Way to Pray

Rebecca Ninke and Kate E.H. Watson Illustrated by Liam Darcy

"When I pray, I talk to God..." *There's No Wrong Way to Pray* is a kid's meditation on prayer—all the ways to pray, the things to pray for, and the reasons and times of day to do it.

Author Rebecca Ninke worked with her young daughter, Kate, to explore the role of prayer in a child's life with uncommon humor and insight. Ultimately, kids will learn that there is no wrong way to talk to God!

Rebecca Ninke is a Lutheran pastor and has worked at churches in Colorado, Arizona, and Wisconsin. She is married to Dave and is the proud mom of Reid and Kate.

Liam Darcy is an illustrator from London, England. After graduating with a degree in Graphic Design from Ravensbourne College he moved into the realm of children's book illustration and now spends his time creating artwork to engage and excite young minds.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Church outreach





Publication 5/7/2019 978-1-5064-5058-2 Hardcover 9.25" x 9.25" 32 pages Ages 4-8 \$16.99 Children's/Fiction

Stay Through the Storm

Joanna Rowland Illustrated by Lorian Tu

With lyrical text and comforting illustrations, *Stay Through the Storm* is a deeply moving meditation on the power of friendship to carry us through difficult times.

When dark clouds gather in the distance, two friends come together to comfort each other through the storm. They shield each other through the rain, make a fort inside, and play games between claps of thunder. Through it all, they come back to a consistent plea: Stay. Stay through the storm.

A story to bring hope in times of trouble, *Stay Through the Storm* is a moving reminder that we're never alone even when things seem darkest.

Joanna Rowland lives in Sacramento, California with her husband and three children. She teaches Kindergarten by day and writes picture books at night.

Lorian Tu is a former art and special education teacher for elementary school kids, and is currently a fulltime maker of kid-lit and kid-lit-art. Lorian strives to write and make art for kids, much like herself, who march to the beat of a different drum.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising



Also Available:



Publication 9/26/2017 978-1-5064-2672-3



Publication 3/26/2019 978-1-5064-4857-2 Hardcover 10" x 10" 32 pages Ages 5-8 \$17.99 Children's/Religious

The Fabulous World That God Made

Joyce K. Ellis Illustrated by Andrés F. Landázabal

Stunning, vibrant illustrations paired with rhythmic, dynamic descriptions of the sun, land, water, animals, and the first people, *The Fabulous World That God Made* presents an expansive, delightful romp though the Bible's creation story. Joyce K. Ellis and Andrés Landázabal's picture book is sure to enthrall readers of all ages and invite them to consider their own role in the fabulous world that God made.

Joyce K. Ellis has been writing, editing, and teaching for more than forty years. She and her husband have three grown children and seven grandchildren.

Andrés F. Landázabal is an illustrator and art director based in Armenia, Colombia.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising
- Church outreach



Chapter Books



By H.M. Bouwman • Illustrated by Charlie Alder

Publication 5/28/2019 978-1-5064-5202-9 Paperback 5" x 7" 139 pages Ages 5-8 \$7.99 Children's/Fiction

Owen and Eleanor Meet the New Kid

H.M. Bouwman Illustrated by Charlie Alder

A new kid moves into Owen and Eleanor's neighborhood, and she looks about the same age as Owen and Eleanor, which is super cool. But she speaks a language that Owen and Eleanor don't recognize, she dresses differently—even her food looks unfamiliar. Owen and Eleanor decide to keep an eye on this new kid...but they aren't expecting her to catch them spying! Owen and Eleanor Meet the New Kid is a story about welcoming strangers and loving your neighbor—and maybe even discovering a new friend in the process.

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.

H.M. Bouwman is an associate professor of English, a homeschooling mom, a member of Hamline United Methodist Church, and a martial artist.

Charlie Alder is both an illustrator and an author. She lives in Devon, England with her husband and son.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising

Also Available:



Publication 4/3/2018 978-1-5064-3972-3



Publication 11/6/2018 978-1-5064-4845-9

Board Book



Publication 4/9/2019 978-1-5064-4773-5 Board Book 7" x 7" 20 pages Ages 0-3 \$7.99 Children's/Fiction

Precious Baby

Della Ross Ferreri Illustrated by Monique Dong

"Welcome precious baby! Our prayers have all come true. That we may hold you in our arms and share the world with you."

Inclusive for biological and adopted children alike, this light, rhyming board book celebrates the wonder and joy of welcoming a new baby into the home. Perfect as a baby shower gift for a new parent.

Della Ross Ferreri is a writer and a teacher. She lives in Hyde Park, New York and loves spending time with her family.

Monique Dong is passionate about illustrating children's books. She and her husband, along with their baby boy, live in South Africa.

Marketing plans:

- National print and online publicity
- Co-op advertising



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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.



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