

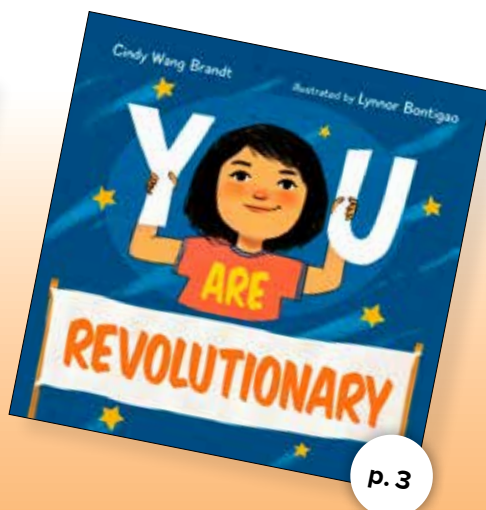
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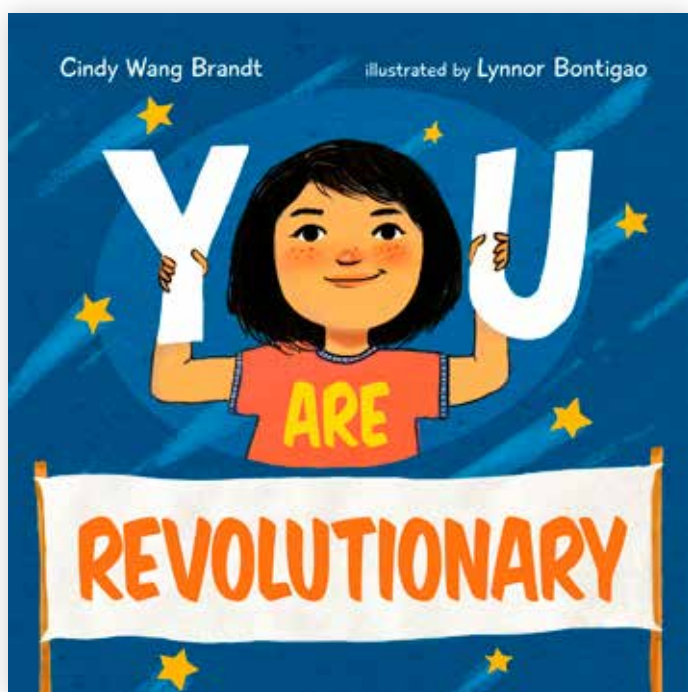


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Popular parenting author and podcaster **Cindy Wang Brandt** shows children that they are capable of making big changes in the world.



## You Are Revolutionary

By Cindy Wang Brandt • Illustrated by Lynnor Bontigao

You have what it takes to change the world!

This is the empowering message parenting author and podcaster Cindy Wang Brandt wants every child to hear and embrace. In this inspiring picture book she speaks to every child who sees injustice in the world, revealing that they already have inside themselves everything they need to make big, transformative change in the world—just as they are. Every kid is a revolutionary! You don't need to wait until you grow up. You don't even need any special skills. Kids who are loud, kids who are quiet, kids who make art, kids who are good at math, kids with lots of energy, kids who are good listeners—all kids have what it takes to make a difference.



**Cindy Wang Brandt** is the author of *Parenting Forward: How to Raise Children with Justice, Mercy, and Kindness*. She is the host of the *Parenting Forward* podcast and the Parenting Forward conference. She's also the founder of the popular Facebook group Raising Children Unfundamentalist. Cindy writes at [cindywangbrandt.com](http://cindywangbrandt.com). She lives in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, with her husband and two children.



**Lynnor Bontigao** is the illustrator of *Jack & Agyu*, written by Justine Villanueva. She is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators and won the 2020 SCBWI Tomie dePaola Professional Development Award. She lives in New Jersey.

### You Are Revolutionary

**Publication: 10/12/2021**

978-1-5064-7830-2

Hardcover 9 x 9

32 pages

Ages 4 to 7

\$17.99

JNF071000 JUVENILE

NONFICTION / Social Activism

& Volunteering

JNF053160 JUVENILE

NONFICTION / Social Topics /

Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance

### Marketing and Selling Points

*Special promotions and events with author's large Facebook community*

*Events and appearances by known author and speaker*

*National trade and library advertising*

*Publicity campaign targeting parenting media, progressive Christian media, and social justice media*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign to millennial parents*

*Special outreach to parenting bloggers*

*Author launch team*

*Co-op available*

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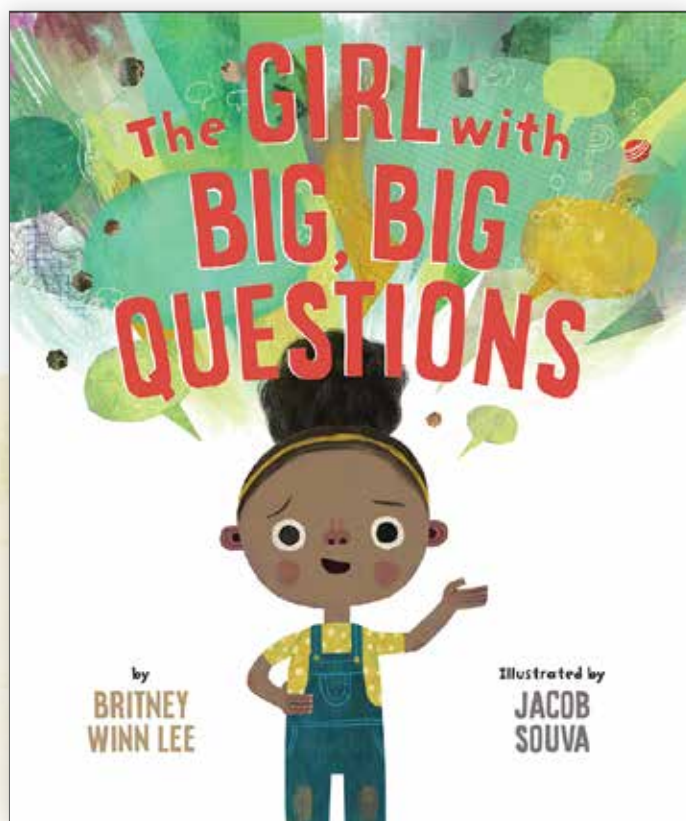
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FROM THE SAME AUTHOR  
AND ILLUSTRATOR AS THE  
BESTSELLING *THE BOY  
WITH BIG, BIG FEELINGS*

## The Girl with Big, Big Questions

By Britney Winn Lee • Illustrated by Jacob Souva

“Why can’t people live on the moon? Are monsters real?  
What makes a person good?”

These are just some of the questions that bubble forth from one little girl with twinkling eyes and a curious mind. When the girl finds that her big questions make some people uncomfortable, she stops. But then she learns that her questions can solve problems and that asking questions is how we learn and grow. Celebrate the spirit of curiosity and the joy of learning with this lively picture book about a persistent girl and her quest for knowledge.



## The Girl with Big, Big Questions

**Publication: 08/10/2021**

978-1-5064-7378-9

Hardcover 8.5 x 10

32 pages

Ages 5 to 8

\$17.99

JUV035000JUVENILE FICTION / School  
& Education

JUV039050JUVENILE FICTION / Social  
Themes / Emotions & Feelings

JUV039140JUVENILE FICTION / Social  
Themes / Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance

## Marketing and Selling Points

*Inspires girls to stand tall and use their voices*

*Author blog tour with book giveaways*

*National trade and library advertising*

*Special outreach to educators in STEM and  
Montessori settings*

*Targeted publicity campaign to education,  
library, and trade media*

*Digital and social media campaign targeting  
parents, teachers, and librarians*

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## PRAISE FOR *THE BOY WITH BIG, BIG FEELINGS*

“With creativity and tenderness, Britney Winn Lee and Jacob Souva invite children and adults alike to understand the value of our emotions and why they aren’t a hindrance but instead a part of what allows us to experience life with resilience and connection.”

—Aundi Kolber, author, speaker, and trauma-informed therapist

“*The Boy with Big, Big Feelings* is a story that’s big enough for all of us to feel seen. Lee’s rhythmic text saves space for the sensitive kids whose emotions rest just beneath the skin. And in welcoming us into those quiet and confusing emotional places, the story offers connection and companionship, reminding us that big emotions affect ALL of us!”

—Matthew C. Winner, school librarian and host of *The Children’s Book Podcast*



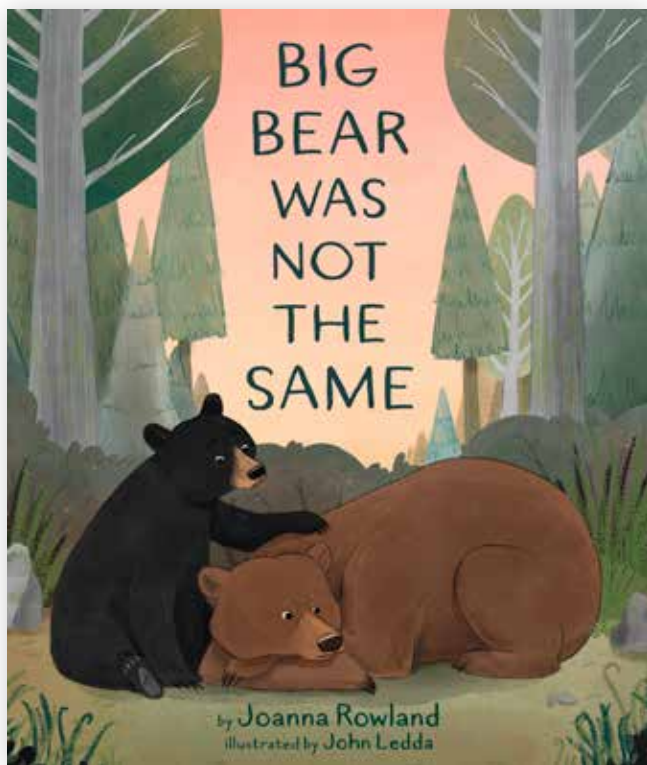
The world is so very interesting!  
She wanted to learn all she could,  
from what makes a plane stay in the sky  
to what makes each person good.



**Britney Winn Lee** is an author, editor, and nonprofit director living in Shreveport, Louisiana, with her creative husband and big-hearted son. Lee serves as the full-time director of Noel Community Arts Program and the part-time editor and content coordinator for Red Letter Christians. Lee’s books include *Rally: Communal Prayers for Lovers of Jesus and Justice* (Upper Room), and *Deconstructed Do-Gooder: A Memoir about Learning Mercy the Hard Way* (Cascade Books).



**Jacob Souva** is an illustrator who lives in Upstate New York with his wife and two boys. He’s passionate about equipping kids with language to navigate their emotional well-being, laugh at silly things, and be inspired by big stories. Jacob works digitally and loves to experiment with texture and color.



## Big Bear Was Not the Same

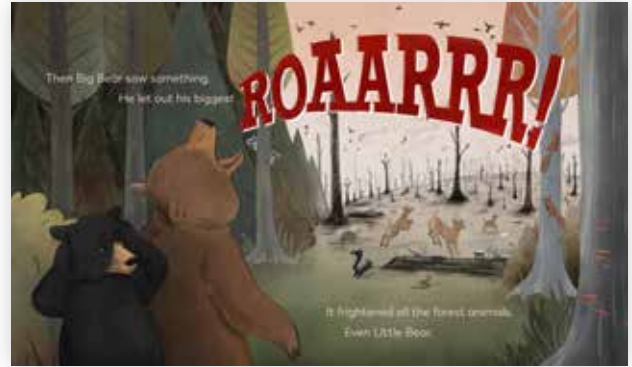
By Joanna Rowland • Illustrated by John Ledda

Little Bear loves the woods, his home, and going on adventures with his best friend, Big Bear. Then something scary happens to Big Bear. He's caught in a forest fire! Even after Big Bear escapes and is safe, Little Bear can tell that he is not the same. How can Little Bear's big, strong, brave friend be so scared now? And how can Little Bear be a good friend?

In *Big Bear Was Not the Same*, Joanna Rowland, author of the bestselling book *The Memory Box*, gently introduces young readers to the feelings of fear, anxiety, and anger that can follow a traumatic event, and shows them how to have empathy and compassion for themselves and for loved ones experiencing the effects of trauma.

Includes backmatter written by a family therapist with age-appropriate information about trauma specifically for children.

Joanna Rowland, author of the international bestseller *The Memory Box*, returns to help children cope with fear and anxiety.



**Joanna Rowland** grew up in Sacramento, California, where she still lives today with her husband and three children. She teaches kindergarten by day and writes picture books at night. In the summer, you'll find her by water or cozying up with a book.



**John Ledda** was born and raised in southeast Michigan. He moved to the San Francisco Bay Area to pursue his MFA at the Academy of Art University. *Big Bear Was Not the Same* is his debut picture book.

### More from Joanna Rowland on supporting kids through hard times:

**When Things Are Hard, Remember**  
\$17.99 | 978-1-5064-6380-3

**Stay Through the Storm**  
\$16.99 | \$17.99 | 978-1-5064-5058-2

**The Memory Box: A Book about Grief**  
\$17.99 | 978-1-5064-2672-3

**The Memory Book: A Grief Journal for Children and Families**  
\$17.99 | 978-1-5064-5781-9

### Big Bear Was Not the Same

**Publication:** 08/24/2021

978-1-5064-7141-9

Hardcover 8.5 x 10

32 pages

Ages 4 to 7

\$17.99

JUV039240JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Depression & Mental Illness

JUV039050JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Emotions & Feelings

JUV002030JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Bears

### Marketing and Selling Points

*Targeted digital and social media campaign to mental health professionals, social workers, and counselors*

*National trade and library advertising*

*Publicity campaign targeting health and wellness media, library media, and trade media*

*Author blog tour with book giveaways*

*Email marketing campaign to purchasers of other Joanna Rowland titles*

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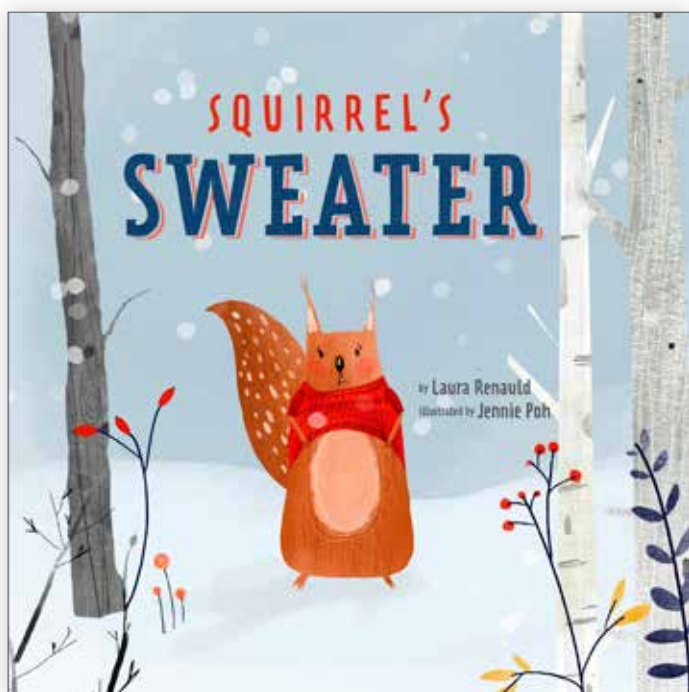
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The forest crew from the popular Woodland Friends series is back, this time to help squirrel navigate change.



## Squirrel's Sweater

By Laura Renauld • Illustrated by Jennie Poh

As Winter Warmup approaches, all but one of the woodland friends are bundled up for the snowy season ahead.

Bear, Porcupine, and Doe are all ready to hunker down for winter, but not Squirrel. When she discovers that the sweater her grandma knit for her has shrunk, she doesn't know what to do! No amount of stretching or sewing or help from her friends seems to fix her favorite sweater. But perhaps it doesn't need to stay a sweater to remind her of her grandma and her friends.

The colorful gang of woodland friends from *Porcupine's Pie* and *Bear's Bicycle* return to help Squirrel as she learns to navigate and accept change. A final spread features an activity that teaches young readers how to transform their own piece of clothing into something new.

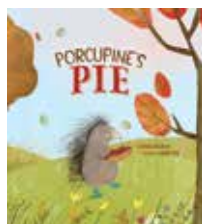


**Laura Renauld** is a former elementary school teacher. She lives in Northern Virginia with her husband and their two storytelling sons. She is the author of *Porcupine's Pie*, *Bear's Bicycle*, and *Fred's Big Feelings: The Life and Legacy of Mister Rogers*.



**Jennie Poh** is a creative who studied fine art at the Surrey Institute of Art & Design, as well as fashion illustration at Central St. Martins. She lives in Woking, England.

Also available from the Woodland Friends series:



Porcupine's Pie  
978-1-5064-3180-2 | \$17.99



Bear's Bicycle  
978-1-5064-6569-2 | \$17.99

## Squirrel's Sweater

Publication: 09/21/2021

978-1-5064-7285-0

Hardcover 9 x 9

32 pages

Ages 4 to 8

\$17.99

JUV039060JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Friendship

JUV048000JUVENILE FICTION / Clothing & Dress

JUV002160JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Mammals

## Marketing and Selling Points

Author events with public libraries

Author blog tour

Targeted digital and social media campaign to parents, librarians, and educators

National trade and library advertising

Publicity campaign to library, education, and trade media

Author launch team

Co-op available

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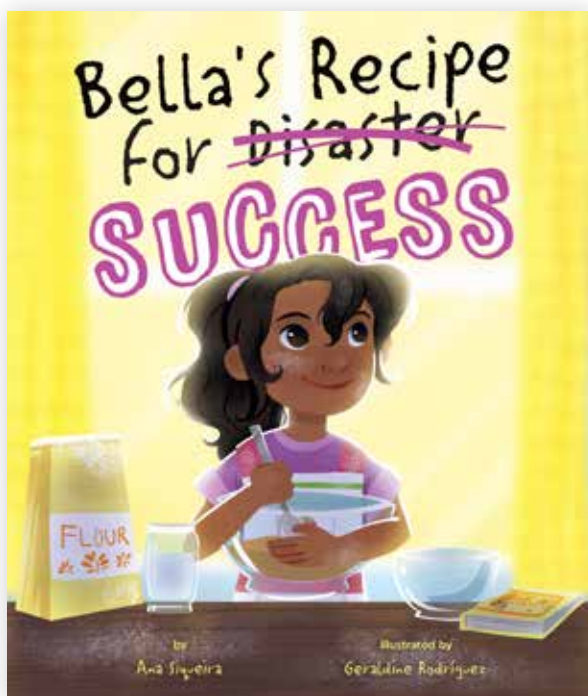
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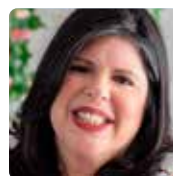
## Bella's Recipe for Success

By Ana Siqueira • Illustrated by Geraldine Rodríguez

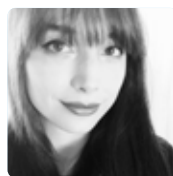
Bella wants to find out what she's good at. But she quits everything she (barely) tries because she's a disaster at it. Her somersaults are like clumsy jirafas rolling downhill, her piano playing like elephant feet. When she decides to learn how to bake with her wise old abuela, her first attempt at dulce de leche frosting looks like scaly cocodrilo skin. She must learn it's okay to try again or she won't be good at anything. Peppered with Spanish vocabulary and set in an intergenerational Latinx home, *Bella's Recipe for Success* will show all kids the value of practicing to learn a new skill, and that it's okay to make mistakes along the way.

A recipe for polvorones con dulce de leche is included at the back of the book.

With some help from her abuela, a girl learns that perseverance is the key ingredient to success.



**Ana Siqueira** is a Spanish-language elementary teacher and an award-winning children's book author based in Tampa, Florida. Before *Bella's Recipe for Success*, she published children's books in Portuguese in Brazil and in Spanish for foreign language educational markets. Ana is also a global educator, a PBS Media innovator, and an SCBWI member.



**Geraldine Rodríguez** is a Mexican illustrator and digital artist who enjoys telling stories through colors and lines. In addition to *Bella's Recipe for Success*, Geraldine is the illustrator of *Cinco de Mayo* and the Adventures of Samuel Oliver series.

### Bella's Recipe for Success

**Publication:** 07/13/2021

978-1-5064-6810-5

Picture Book 8.5 x 10

32 pages

Ages 4 to 7

\$17.99

JUV039140 JUVENILE FICTION / Social

Themes / Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance

JUV013030 JUVENILE FICTION / Family /

Multigenerational

JUV011030 JUVENILE FICTION / People &

Places / United States / Hispanic & Latino

### Marketing and Selling Points

*Publicity campaign targeting national and Latinx media outlets*

*Special promotions to school and public libraries*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign*

*Special outreach to Latinx bloggers and social influencers*

*National trade and library advertising*

*Co-op available*

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If your grown-ups bring home a small monster, er, baby, don't panic. Just send it back!



## How to Return a Monster

By Charlotte Offsay • illustrated by Rea Zhai

In this hilarious and heartfelt book about sibling relationships, a girl can't believe it when her parents bring home a drooling, screaming, grabbing monster. She hatches a plan to send it back to where it came from, with hilarious results . . . and along the way, she learns that maybe monster—and baby brothers—aren't so bad after all.



**Charlotte Offsay** was born in England, grew up in Boston, and currently lives in Los Angeles. Through her writing, Charlotte hopes to make children laugh, to inspire curiosity, and to create a magical world her readers can lose themselves in time and time again. Read more about her work at [charlotteoffsay.com](http://charlotteoffsay.com).



**Rea Zhai** was born and raised in China, where she developed a great passion for drawing. She currently lives in Beijing.

### How to Return a Monster

**Publication:** 09/07/2021

978-1-5064-6469-5

Hardcover 8.5 x 10

32 pages

Ages 3 to 7

\$17.99

JUV013040JUVENILE FICTION /

Family / New Baby

JUV039050JUVENILE FICTION /

Social Themes / Emotions & Feelings

JUV019000JUVENILE FICTION /

Humorous Stories

### Marketing and Selling Points

*Publicity campaign to trade and parenting media*

*Trade and library advertising*

*Targeted email and social media campaign*

*Paid social targeting to parents and librarians*

*Co-op available*

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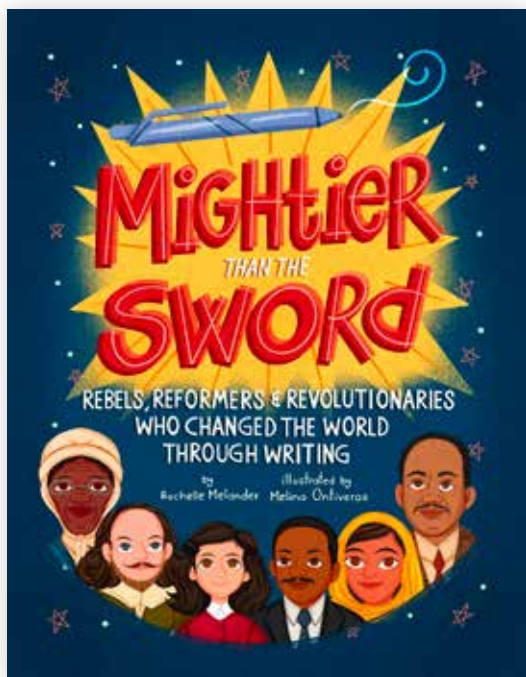
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## Mightier Than the Sword: Rebels, Reformers, and Revolutionaries Who Changed the World Through Writing

By Rochelle Melander • Illustrated by Melina Ontiveros

Throughout history, people have picked up their pens and wielded their words—transforming their lives, their communities, and beyond. Now it's your turn! Representing a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences, *Mightier Than the Sword* connects over forty inspiring biographies with life-changing writing activities and tips, showing readers just how much their own words can make a difference. Readers will explore nature with Rachel Carson, experience the beginning of the Reformation with Martin Luther, champion women's rights with Sojourner Truth, and many more. These richly illustrated stories of inspiring speechmakers, scientists, explorers, authors, poets, activists, and even other kids and young adults will engage and encourage young people to pay attention to their world, to honor their own ideas and dreams, and to embrace the transformative power of words to bring good to the world.

**Words are a powerful tool.  
Wield them well!**



**Rochelle Melander** is a speaker, a professional certified coach, and the founder of Dream Keepers, a writing workshop that encourages young people to write about their lives and dreams for the future. Rochelle wrote her first book at seven and has published eleven books for adults. *Mightier Than the Sword* is her debut book for children. She lives in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.



**Melina Ontiveros** is a Mexican artist and illustrator. A proud self-taught artist, she enjoys experimenting with color and textures.

### Mightier Than the Sword

**Publication: 07/27/2021**

978-1-5064-6640-8

Hardcover 7 x 9

200 pages

Ages 8 to 13

\$22.99

JNF007030 JUVENILE NONFICTION /  
Biography & Autobiography / Literary  
JNF029010 JUVENILE NONFICTION / Language  
Arts / Composition & Creative Writing  
JNF007110 JUVENILE NONFICTION / Biography  
& Autobiography / Social Activists

### Marketing and Selling Points

*National publicity campaign targeting educators and librarians*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign to writers, educators, and librarians*

*Special outreach to homeschooling mom bloggers*

*National and trade advertising*

*Co-op available*

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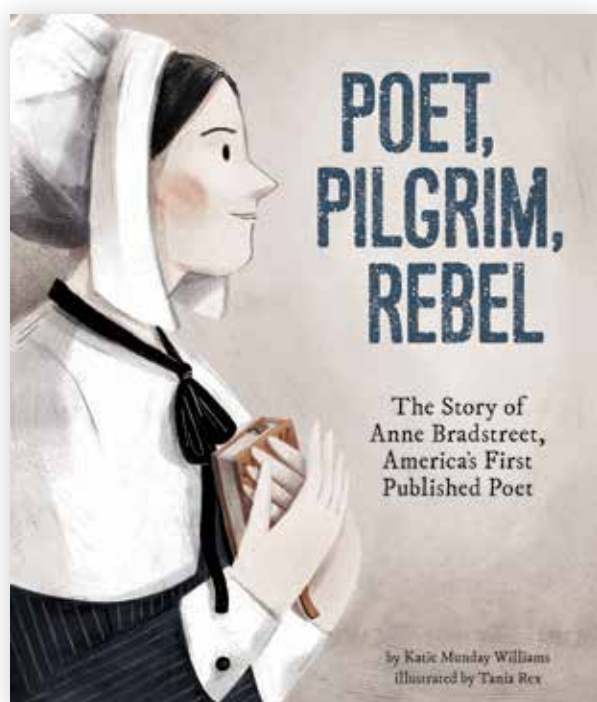
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The inspiring story of a Puritan woman whose passion for writing broke barriers.



## Poet, Pilgrim, Rebel: The Story of Anne Bradstreet, America's First Published Poet

By Katie Munday Williams • Illustrated by Tania Rex

Late at night, with her children tucked into bed and her husband away on business, Anne Dudley Bradstreet composed poems by candlelight. She let her thoughts from the day tumble out, memorizing each poem line by line before daring to shape the words onto scraps of scarce parchment. Puritan women in the 1600s weren't allowed to be writers. But when the world learned about Anne's poetry, even she was astonished by what happened next.

This charmingly illustrated picture book tells the inspiring story of how a Puritan woman overcame the obstacles facing women of her era to become one of the most famous poets in history. A gifted writer of deep faith, Anne Bradstreet blazed a trail for the rights of women to study, write, and achieve.



**Katie Munday Williams** is a nurse and writer who has long been drawn to the magic of picture books. She lives in Santa Cruz, California, with her husband and two children. She is the great-granddaughter x 14 of Anne Bradstreet.



**Tania Rex** is a fine artist and children's book illustrator who has illustrated more than fifteen books for publishers around the world. She lives in Vilnius, Lithuania.

### Poet, Pilgrim, Rebel

**Publication:** 08/03/2021

978-1-5064-6306-3

Hardcover 8.5 x 10

40 pages

Ages 5 to 8

\$19.99

JNF007120JUVENILE NONFICTION / Biography & Autobiography / Women  
JNF007020JUVENILE NONFICTION / Biography & Autobiography / Historical  
JNF025190JUVENILE NONFICTION / History / United States / Colonial & Revolutionary Periods

### Marketing and Selling Points

*National, book trade, and library publicity campaign*

*Special promotions to libraries and "girl power" bloggers and influencers*

*Author blog tour*

*Trade and library advertising*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign with library focus*

*Special outreach to educators*

*Co-op available*

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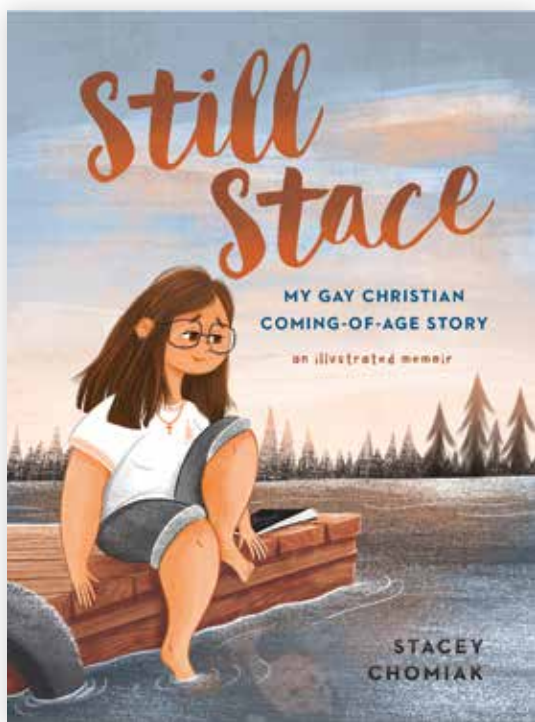
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**A gay Christian coming-of-age illustrated memoir for young adults.**



## Still Stace: My Gay Christian Coming-of-Age Story | An Illustrated Memoir

Written and illustrated by Stacey Chomiak

Stacey loves being a Christian. Her favorite place on earth is Bible camp every summer. And she talks to God like they are old friends.

But one summer, she meets a girl who turns everything upside down. Is this feeling she has for her more than just friendship? Filled with dread, Stacey embarks on a journey to discover what it means to be gay, whether it is possible to change, and how to reconcile her identity with her faith.

In this young-adult illustrated memoir, Stacey Chomiak tells the true story of her teenage and young-adult years: of heartbreak, family conflict, trying to become ex-gay, wrestling with her faith, and finding love. Uncovering happiness and joy seems insurmountable. Until she learns to love her full self. Then being both gay and Christian seems not just possible, but the best answer of all.



**Stacey Chomiak** is a children's book illustrator and artist in the animation industry who launched her career working on the beloved series *My Little Pony: Friendship Is Magic*. Chomiak loves to advocate and use her artistic talents for the LGBTQ+ Christian community. She lives with her family on the West Coast of Canada.



### Still Stace

**Publication: 10/19/2021**

978-1-5064-6951-5

Hardcover 7 x 8

212 pages

Ages 14 to 18

\$21.99

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/ Comics & Graphic Novels / Social Topics

YAN006150YOUNG ADULT NONFICTION

/ Biography & Autobiography / LGBT

YAN032000YOUNG ADULT NONFICTION

/ LGBT

### Marketing and Selling Points

*Targeted publicity push to LGBTQ+, teen, and progressive Christian publications*

*Email marketing campaign to youth pastors, church leaders, and influencers*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign with paid social to queer Christian teens*

*Trade advertising and progressive Christian advertising*


*Video promotions featuring queer Christian influencers*


*Co-op available*

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## The Totally True Book of Strange and Surprising Bible Lists

By Carla Barnhill and Marc Olson • Illustrated by Kelsey Heaton

From talking donkeys to women turning into salt, the Bible is filled with weird and wacky stuff. This big book of lists highlights the strange details and pairs them with cool and quirky illustrations. Flip through a few at a time or sit down and read the whole book: inside, you'll find collections of lesser-known stories, sayings, creatures, and more. (You may even stumble across something you've never heard of!) *The Totally True Book of Strange and Surprising Bible Lists* invites kids to get curious about the Bible and engage with it in a whole new way.

**That's in the Bible?!**



**Carla Barnhill** is the award-winning author of *The Myth of the Perfect Mother*, *Shaping Your Family's Future*, and *The One Year Devotions for Preschoolers*. She has edited countless books, magazines, essays, and blogs for children, teenagers, and adults. Carla lives in Minnesota with her family.



**Marc Olson** is a theologian and author of *The World Jesus Knew: A Curious Kid's Guide to Life in the First Century*, among other titles in the Curious Kids' Guides series. He lives in St. Paul, Minnesota.



**Kelsey Heaton** graduated from Columbus College of Art & Design and works as an illustrator and designer.

## The Totally True Book of Strange and Surprising Bible Lists

**Publication: 11/02/2021**

978-1-5064-6946-1

Hardcover 8 x 10

80 pages

Ages 9 to 13

\$19.99

JNF049170 JUVENILE NONFICTION /

Religion / Biblical Reference

JNF049010 JUVENILE NONFICTION /

Religion / Biblical Studies

JNF016000 JUVENILE NONFICTION /

Curiosities & Wonders

## Marketing and Selling Points

*Promotions to faith-based mom bloggers, social influencers, and Bible scholars*

*National trade and Christian advertising*

*Email marketing campaign to youth pastors, church leaders, and influencers*

*Featured at select Christian conferences*

*Targeted digital and social media campaign*

*Co-op available*

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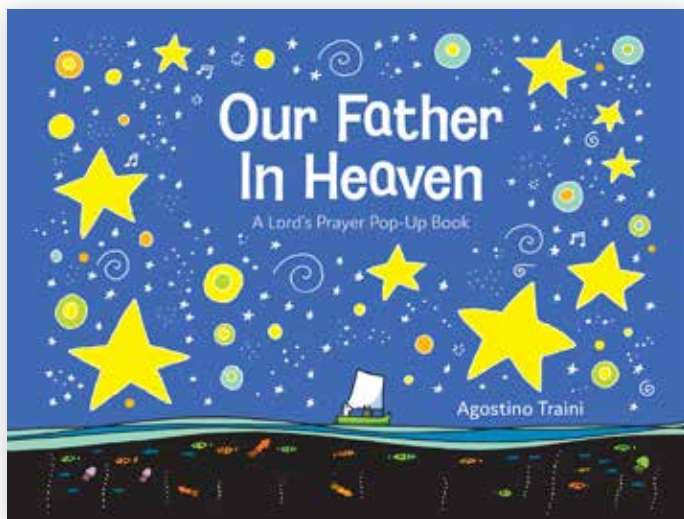
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“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name . . .”



## Our Father in Heaven: A Lord's Prayer Pop-Up Book

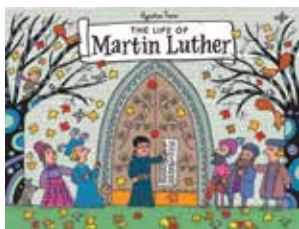
Written and illustrated by Agostino Traini

Engage children in the prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples with this delightful pop-up book illustrating one of the most famous sacred texts in the world. World-renowned illustrator and paper artist Agostino Traini brings this timeless prayer to life in reverent yet surprising and whimsical ways. Sure to delight readers young and old, this keepsake artfully connects the ancient world and the teachings of Jesus to our lives today.

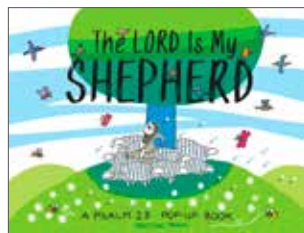


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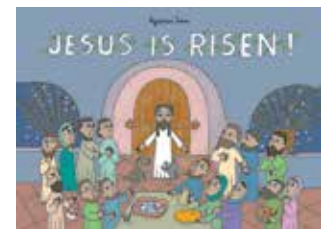
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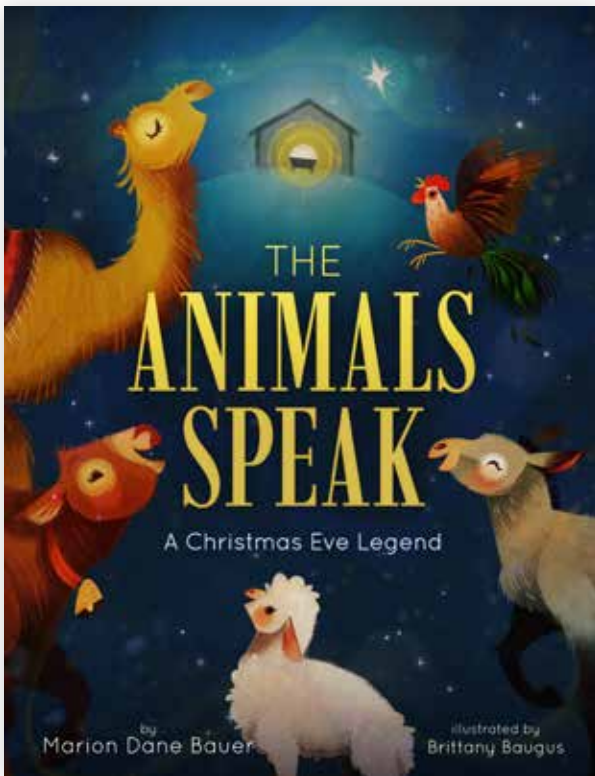
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**Marion Dane Bauer** was born in Oglesby, Illinois, and currently resides in Falcon Heights, Minnesota. She is the author of more than 100 books, including board books, picture books, and early readers. She has

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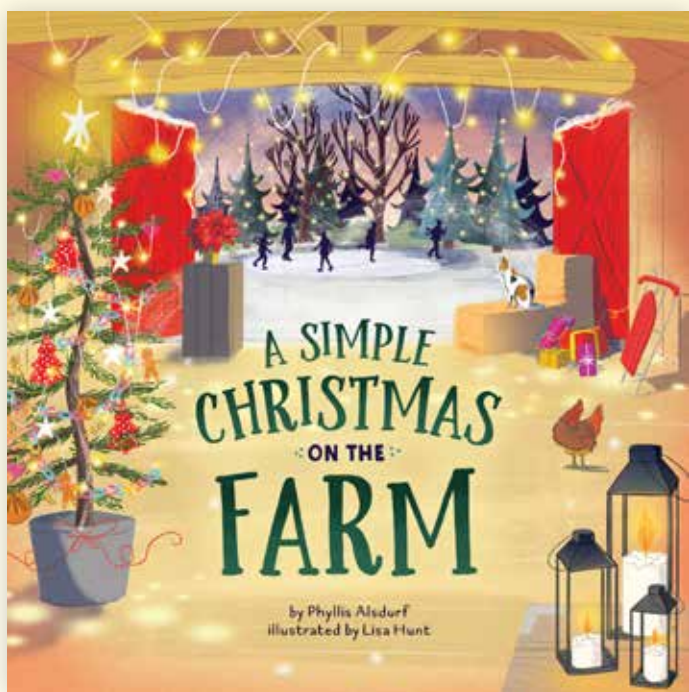
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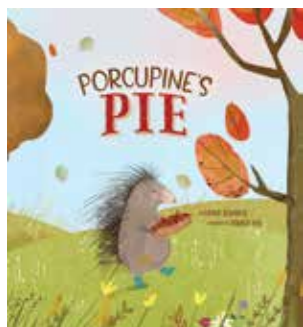
**Phyllis Alsdurf** is a former journalism and creative writing professor and the author of *It’s Milking Time* (Minnesota Historical Society Press, 2019) and *Thanksgiving in the Woods* (Beaming Books, 2017). Phyllis holds a PhD in

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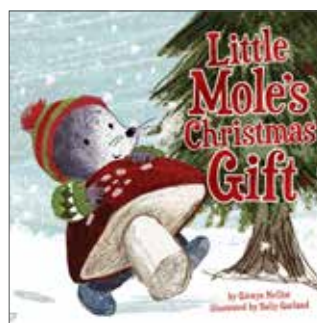
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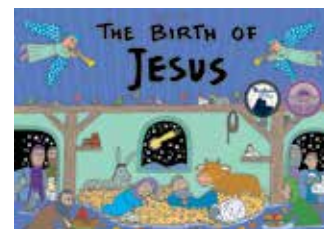
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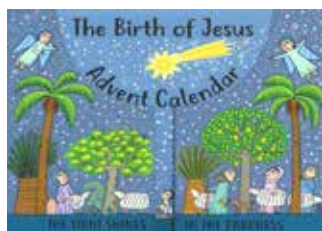
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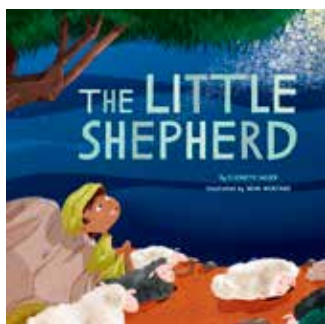
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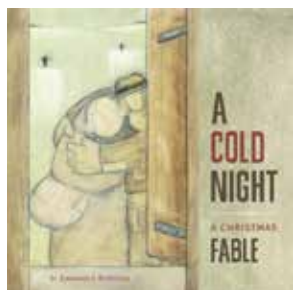
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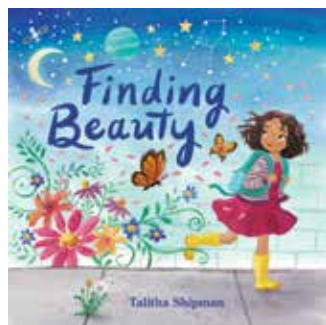


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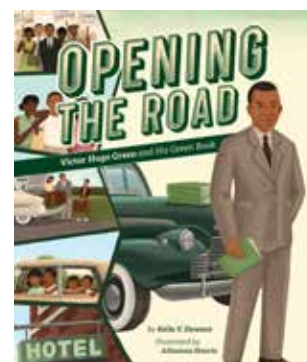
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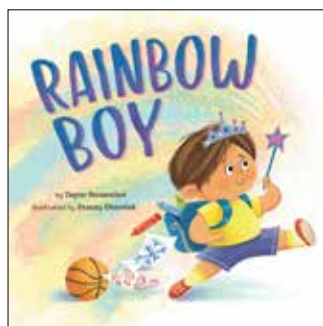
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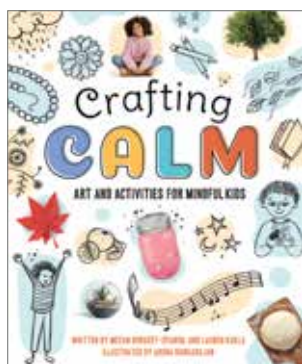
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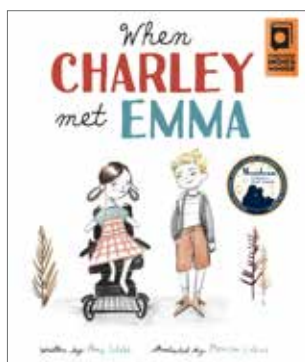
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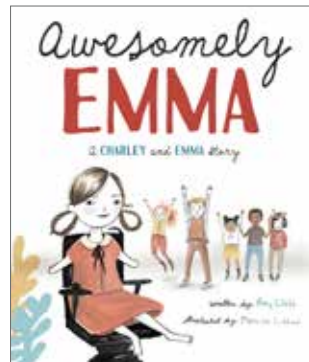
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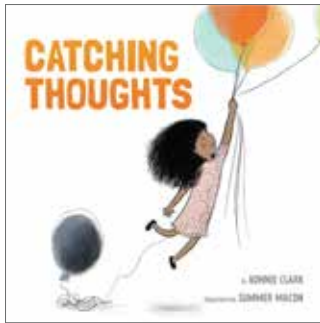
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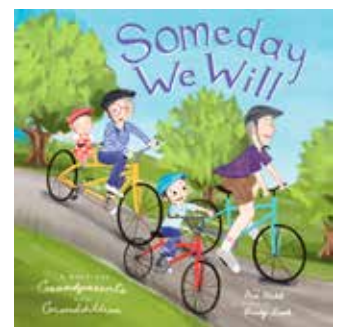
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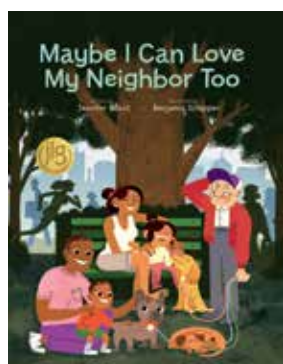


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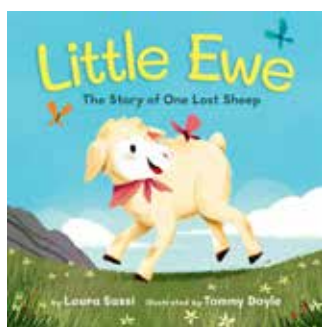
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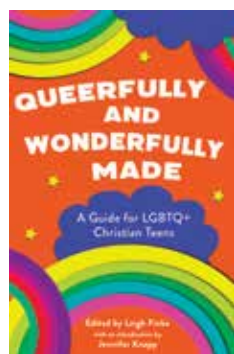
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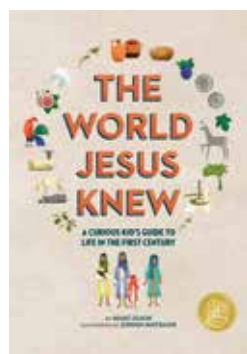
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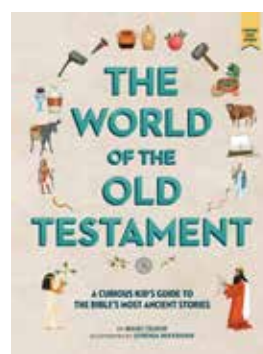
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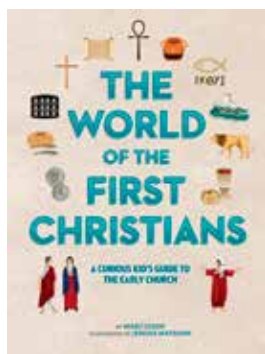
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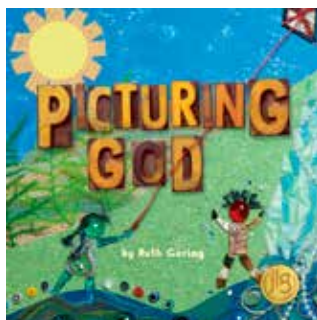
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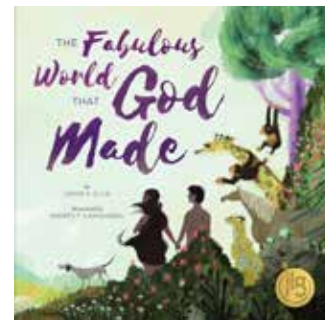
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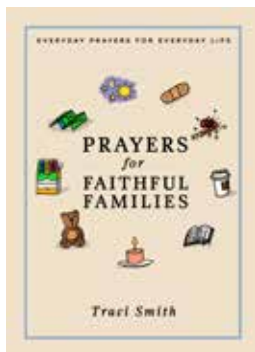
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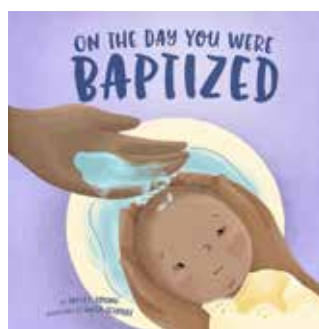
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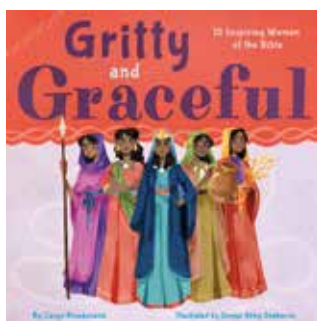
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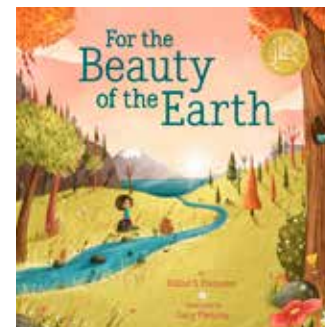
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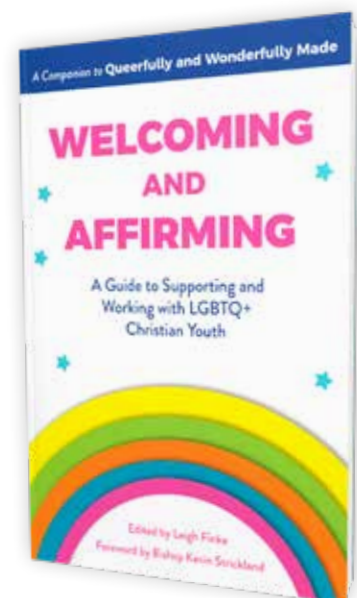
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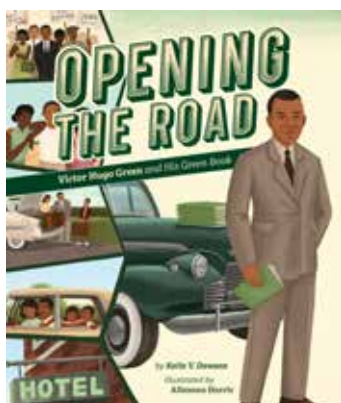


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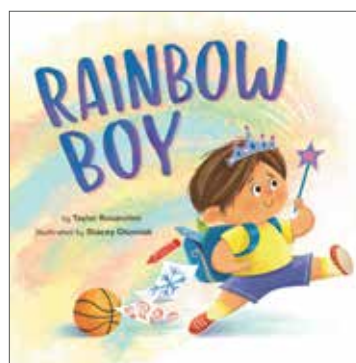


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