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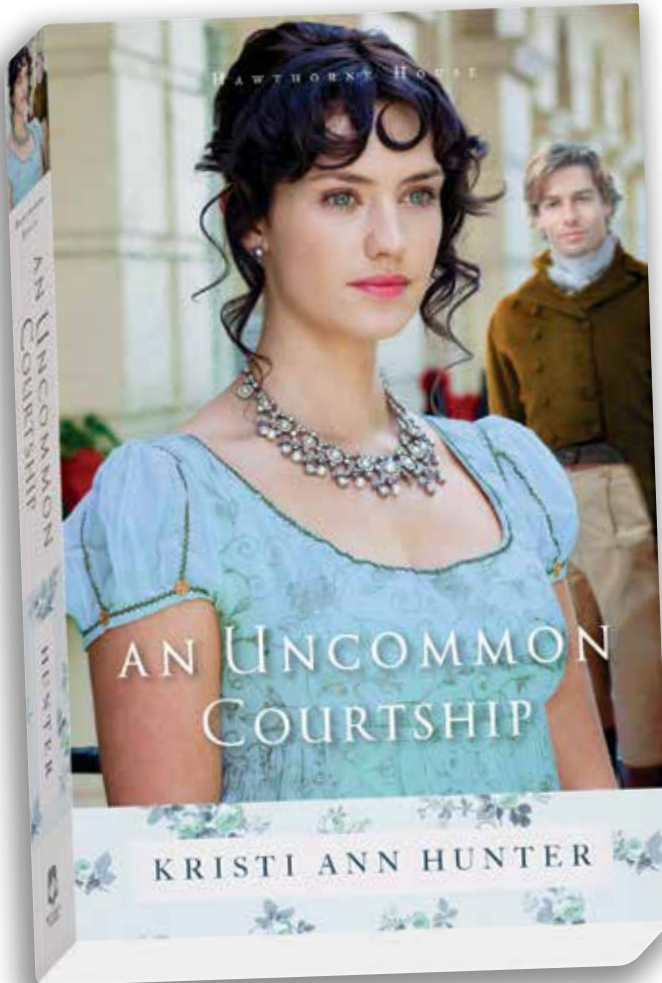
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- Regency England setting holds broad appeal for readers of clean romance and inspirational fiction
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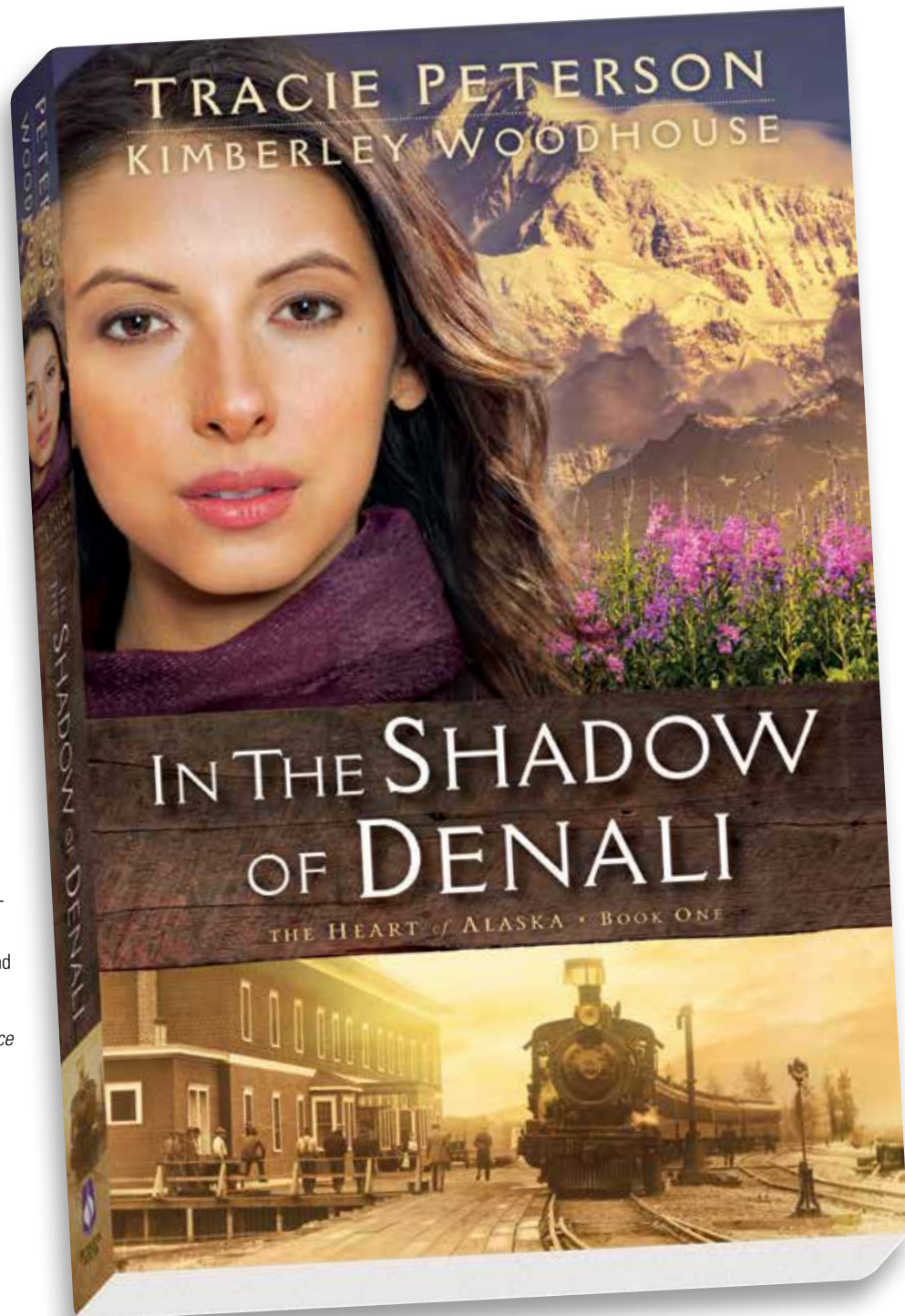
"Award-winning Peterson and Woodhouse have coauthored a marvelous story of love and adventure in the Alaskan frontier. Their characters spring to life against a background of historical events."—*Booklist*

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- The Alaskan wilderness makes a dramatic backdrop for this sweeping novel
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- The duo's first collaborations, *All Things Hidden* and *Beyond the Silence*, were acclaimed bestsellers

Cassidy Ivanoff and her father, John, work at the new and prestigious Curry Hotel outside Mt. McKinley. While John will be expedition and wilderness exploration guide for the wealthy tourists, Cassidy has signed on as a cook's assistant. Both are busy as the hotel prepares to welcome the president of the United States on his way to drive in the golden spike to officially complete the railroad.

Allan Brennan travels to the Curry Hotel to be an apprentice of a seasoned Alaska mountain guide. Ever since his father's death climbing Mt. McKinley, he's worked to earn enough money to make the trek to the Alaska territory himself. His father's partner blames their guide for the death of his father, but Allan wants to find the truth for himself. He finds an unlikely ally in Cassidy, and as the two begin to look into the mystery, they suddenly find that things are much less clear, and much more dangerous, than either could ever imagine.

## In the Shadow of Denali

THE HEART OF ALASKA #1

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Kimberley Woodhouse is a multipublished author and a popular speaker and teacher who has shared the theme of "Joy Through Trials" with hundreds of thousands of people across the country. Kim is a pastor's wife and is passionate about music and Bible study.



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She lives and writes in Colorado with her husband of twenty-plus years and their two kids. Visit Kim's website at [kimberleywoodhouse.com](http://kimberleywoodhouse.com) to learn more.

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**PRAISE FOR JOCELYN GREEN**

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2013 Christy Award Finalist in First Novel and Historical for *Wedded to War*

"Jocelyn Green does an excellent job developing her characters and their conflicting emotions. She humanizes war and its cruelty. She instills courageous faith in those who pursue what they believe is right and just."—*Civil War Magazine* on *Spy of Richmond*

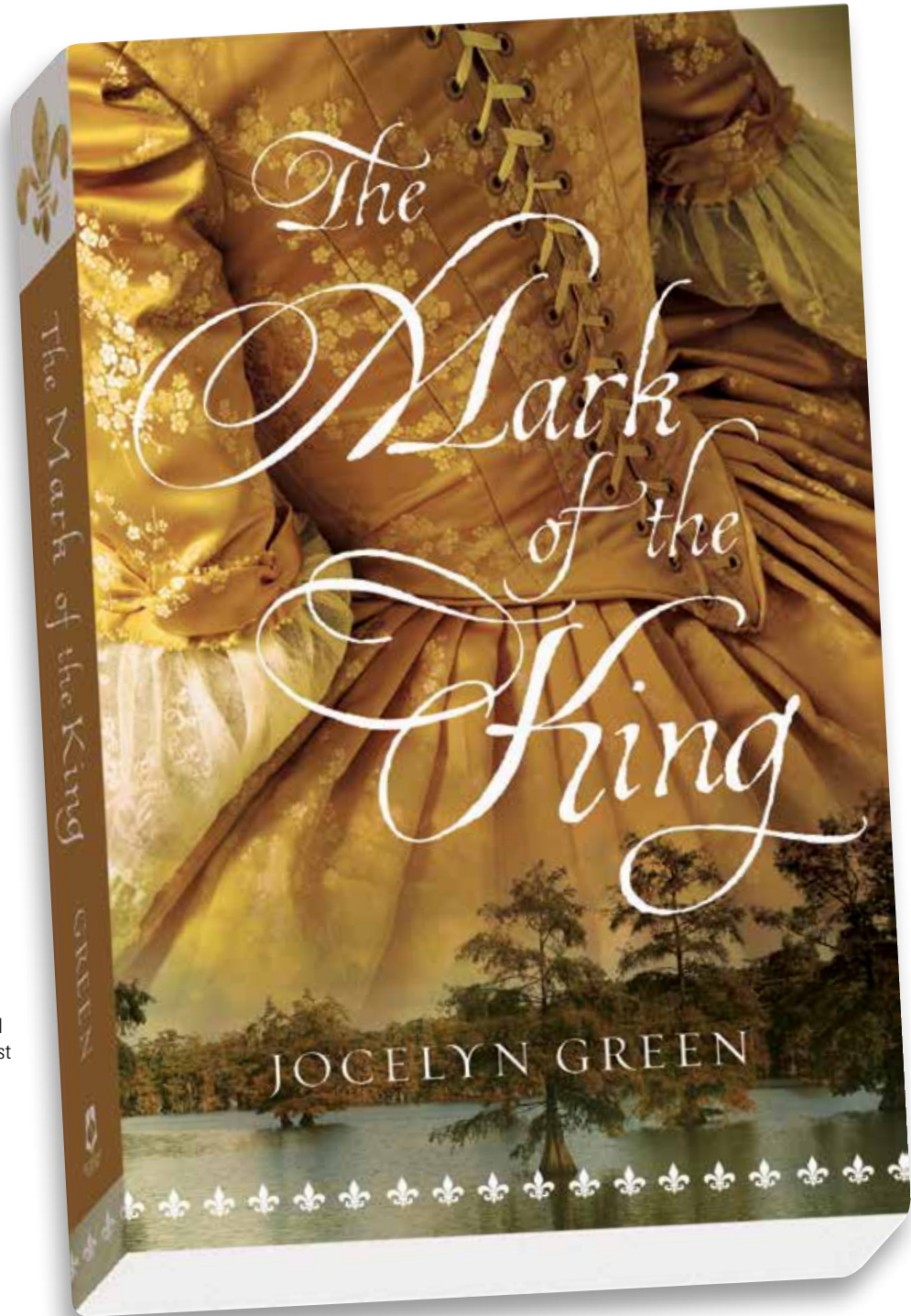
"Superb fiction—stunning history!"—**Julie Lessman**, award-winning author of *THE WINDS OF CHANGE* series, on *Widow of Gettysburg*

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After being imprisoned and branded for the death of her client, twenty-five-year-old midwife Julianne Chevalier trades her life sentence for exile to the fledgling 1720s French colony of Louisiana, where she hopes to be reunited with her brother, serving there as a soldier. To make the journey, though, women must be married, and Julianne is forced to wed a fellow convict.

When they arrive in New Orleans, there is no news of Benjamin, Julianne’s brother, and searching for answers proves dangerous. What is behind the mystery, and does military officer Marc-Paul Girard know more than he is letting on?

With her dreams of a new life shattered, Julianne must find her way in this dangerous, rugged land, despite never being able to escape the king’s mark on her shoulder that brands her a criminal beyond redemption.

## The Mark of the King

Jocelyn Green



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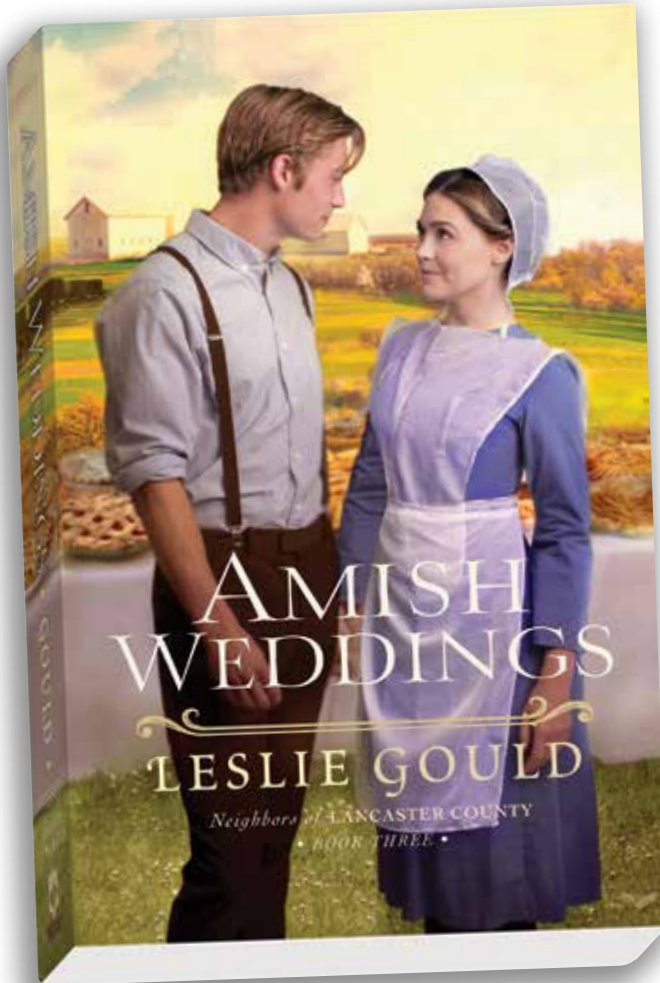
### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Jocelyn Green inspires faith and courage as the award-winning author of ten books to date, including *Wedded to War*, a Christy Award finalist in 2013; *Widow of Gettysburg*; *Yankee in Atlanta*; and *The 5 Love Languages Military Edition*, which she coauthored with bestselling author Dr. Gary Chapman. A former military wife herself, her passion for military families informs all of her writing as well as her numerous speaking opportunities. Jocelyn graduated from Taylor University with a BA in English and now lives with her husband and two children in Iowa. Visit her at [www.jocelyngreen.com](http://www.jocelyngreen.com).



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# Gould's Series Concludes in Love and Marriage



- Gould continues to gain readers and recognition for her Amish fiction
- Filled with romance and family drama, these bestselling novels satisfy all readers
- "Gould writes in a way that feels true to life and allows her characters to have real emotions, which endears them to readers."  
—RT Book Reviews

**G**regarious Rose Lehman, who's always the life of the Amish youth singings, is determined to marry the bishop's son, Reuben Byler—until the handsome Army buddy of her future brother-in-law shows up in Lancaster County. In comparison to Trevor, Reuben seems downright boring. Trevor shares Rose's sense of fun and adventure, and her easygoing disposition.

When her sister Lila's buggy is rear-ended and Lila is horribly injured, Rose finds herself with more freedom than she's ever experienced. Everyone is so concerned about Lila that no one realizes Rose is sneaking out with Trevor. Except for Reuben. But in his usual passive way, he doesn't confront her, nor does he address the situation with her Dat or anyone else in the district. Rose appreciates Reuben's discretion, but she also resents it. Part of her relishes the freedom she's found with Trevor, but the other part of her wishes Reuben would "fight" for her, as much as any Amish man would. Too late, she realizes the foolish choice she's made. Has she ruined her best chance at love, or is there another path to happiness she just hasn't seen yet?

## Amish Weddings

NEIGHBORS OF LANCASTER COUNTY #3  
Leslie Gould



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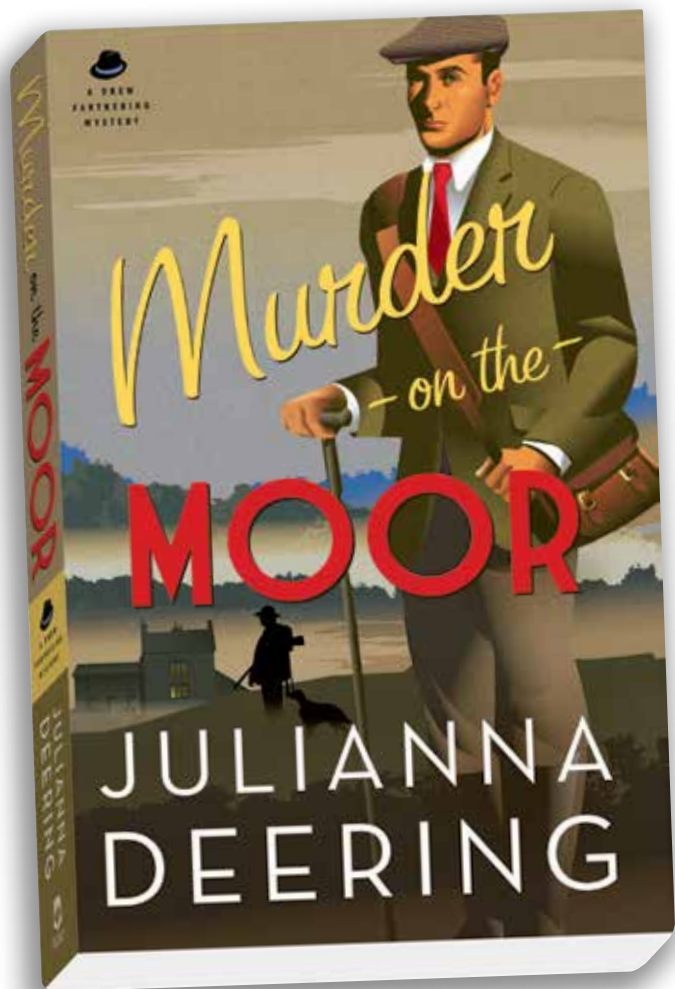


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Drew's friend is obviously smitten with his bride of eight months, though it's hard to imagine what she sees in the awkward man. Drew can't help wondering if her affections lie more with the man's money and estate, while her romantic interests focus on their fiery Welsh gamekeeper. As the danger grows ever closer, it's up to Drew to look past his own prejudices, determine what is really going on, and find the killer before it's too late.

## Murder on the Moor

A DREW FARTHERING MYSTERY  
*Julianna Deering*



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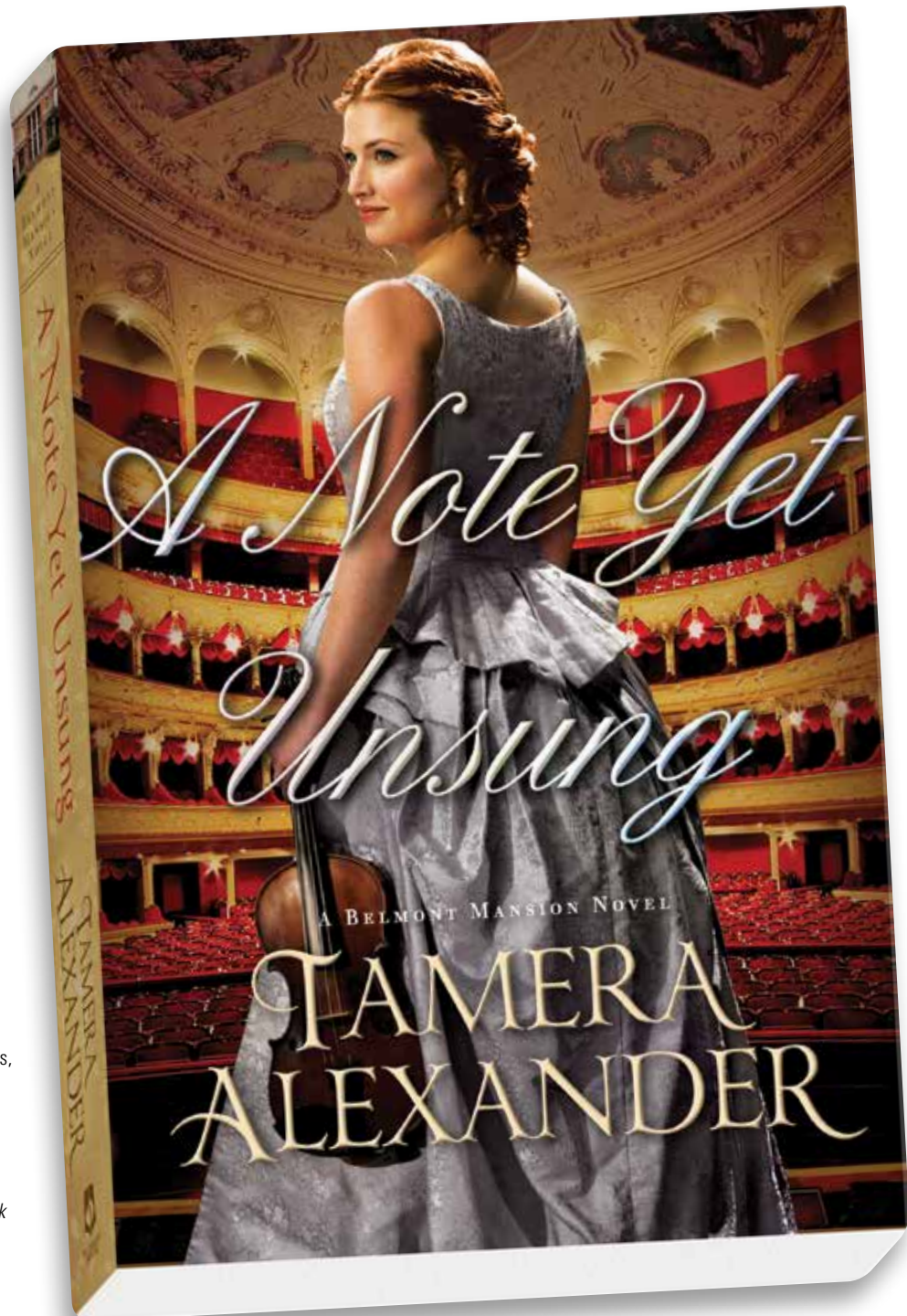
"To put it simply: This book is a full-on HIT. Belmont's history is fascinating and provides a rich setting for historical romance."—*USA Today's* Happy Ever After blog on *A Lasting Impression*

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"Tamera Alexander has once again written a novel rich in storytelling and history, peopled with living, breathing characters who made me laugh and cry. Better than sweet tea on a veranda, *A Lasting Impression* is a winner. I want to live at Belmont!"—**Francine Rivers**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Redeeming Love*

"Tamera Alexander paints vivid scenes, not with oils on canvas but with words on the page, as she sweeps us away to the cafés of New Orleans and the hills of Tennessee. . . . A lovely story, sure to please anyone who treasures a good romance."—**Liz Curtis Higgs**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mine Is the Night*, about *A Lasting Impression*

"*A Lasting Impression* is a wonderful start to a new series. With writing that is rich and textured, Ms. Alexander paints a portrait of Belmont and Nashville after the Civil War that will pull you in and almost make you believe that you are living there yourself."—**Robin Lee Hatcher**, bestselling author of *Belonging*



# Bestselling and Acclaimed Author Delights Fans with Her Newest Belmont Mansion Novel

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- Unforgettable characters, touching romance, and a fascinating look into nineteenth-century classical and Appalachian music

A master violinist trained in Vienna, Rebekah Carrington manages to wheedle her way into an audition with the new maestro at the Nashville Philharmonic. But women are “far too fragile and frail” for the rigors of an orchestra, and Rebekah’s hopes are swiftly dashed when the conductor—determined to leave his mark on the world of classical music—bows to public opinion. To make matters worse, Adelia Cheatham, mistress of Belmont Mansion and Rebekah’s new employer, agrees with him.

Nationally acclaimed conductor Nathaniel Tate Whitcomb is Nashville’s youngest orchestra leader. And despite a reluctant muse and a strange buzzing and recurring pain in his head, he must finish composing his symphony before the grand opening of the city’s new symphony hall. Even more pressing, he must finish it for the one who first inspired his love of music—his dying father. As Tate’s ailment worsens, he knows Rebekah can help him finish his symphony. But how can he win back her trust when he’s robbed her of her dream?

As music moves us to tears yet makes our hearts soar, *A Note Yet Unsung* captures the splendor of classical music at a time when women’s hard-won strides in cultural issues changed not only world history—but the hearts of men.

## A Note Yet Unsung

A BELMONT MANSION NOVEL  
Tamera Alexander



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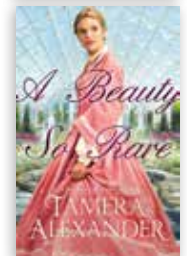
### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Tamera Alexander is the *USA Today* bestselling author of numerous books, including *A Lasting Impression*, *From a Distance*, and *To Whisper Her Name*. Her richly drawn characters and thought-provoking plots have earned her devoted readers worldwide, as well as multiple industry awards. After seventeen years in Colorado, Tamera and her husband now make their home in Nashville, Tennessee. Visit her blog at [www.writespassage.blogspot.com](http://www.writespassage.blogspot.com).



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**Praise for the CHESAPEAKE VALOR series**

**Cold Shot**

“Readers will stay on the edge of their seats.”—*Booklist* starred review

“Fans of Pettrey will adore this new romantic suspense series. Dynamic protagonists and an increasingly tense narrative set the scene for a harrowing and thrilling ride.”—*Library Journal*

“The first book in Pettrey’s new CHESAPEAKE VALOR series starts with action, intrigue, and a cast of fascinating characters. The combination of a present-day crime intertwined with crimes that haunt the characters makes for a gripping storyline with great potential for future installments.”—*RT Book Reviews*

**Praise for the ALASKAN COURAGE series**

**Shattered**

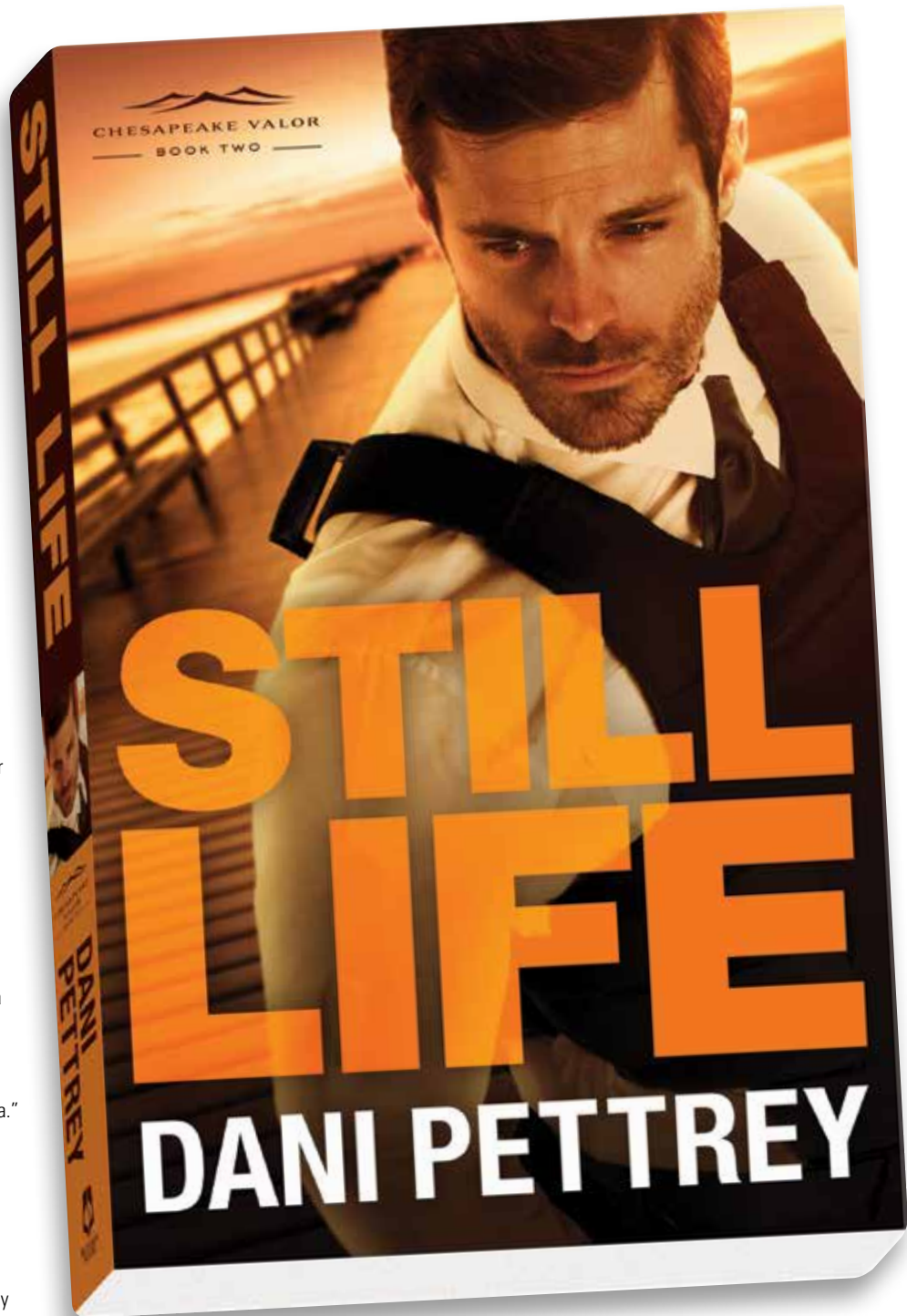
“*Shattered* is a fast-paced suspense and the romance thread is a sizzling undercurrent throughout every chapter. . . . Fans of Dee Henderson’s O’MALLEY FAMILY series will love Pettrey’s McKenna clan.”—*USA Today*

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“Dani Pettrey has delivered another incredibly compelling adventure in Alaska.”—**Dee Henderson**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Full Disclosure* and *Undetected*

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“The McKenna family saga comes to a roaring finale. . . . Pettrey keeps the pages turning with a wicked pace, snappy dialogue, and likable characters, while deftly handling deep emotional and spiritual struggles.”—*Publishers Weekly*



# Romantic Suspense's Rising Star Continues to Win Fans

- “Readers will empathize with the well-crafted and believable characters in this tense opening to her new series.”—*Publishers Weekly on Cold Shot*
- Pettrey continues to climb her way to the top of best-seller lists
- Continues the gripping tale of four former friends pulled back into each others' lives

Blacklisted in the photography business when one of her shots causes a scandal, but desperate to somehow continue in the profession, Avery Tate answered an ad for a crime scene photographer. She fully expected to be laughed at, but crime scene analyst Parker Mitchell hired her outright—taking time to teach her the trade. Now she's half in love with the man, half terrified to even acknowledge her feelings, and completely hooked on the job—until the next crime hits too close to home.

Avery attends the gallery opening of a new photography exhibit to support her best friend who modeled for the show. The only image of her, though, is a chilling photo of her posing dead. Only the photographer insists he didn't take the shot, and Avery's friend can't be found. As Avery and Parker, along with Parker's brilliant friends, begin to dig into the mystery, they find themselves face-to-face with a dangerous, relentless, and deadly threat which could endanger them all.

## Still Life

CHESAPEAKE VALOR #2  
*Dani Pettrey*



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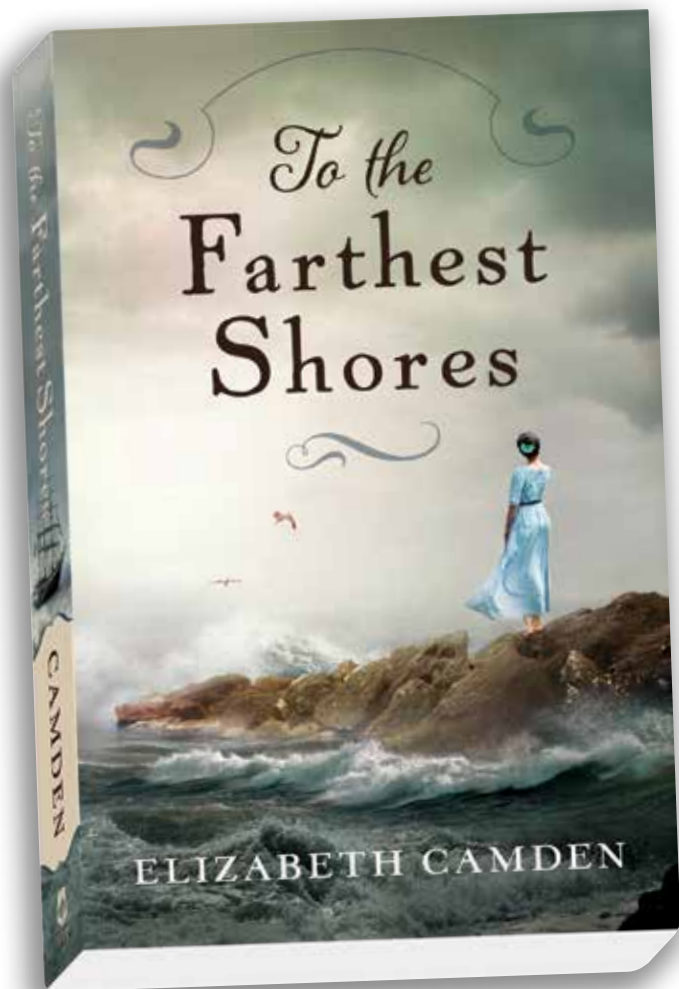
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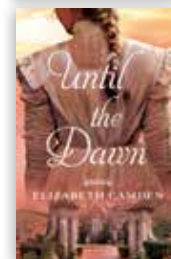
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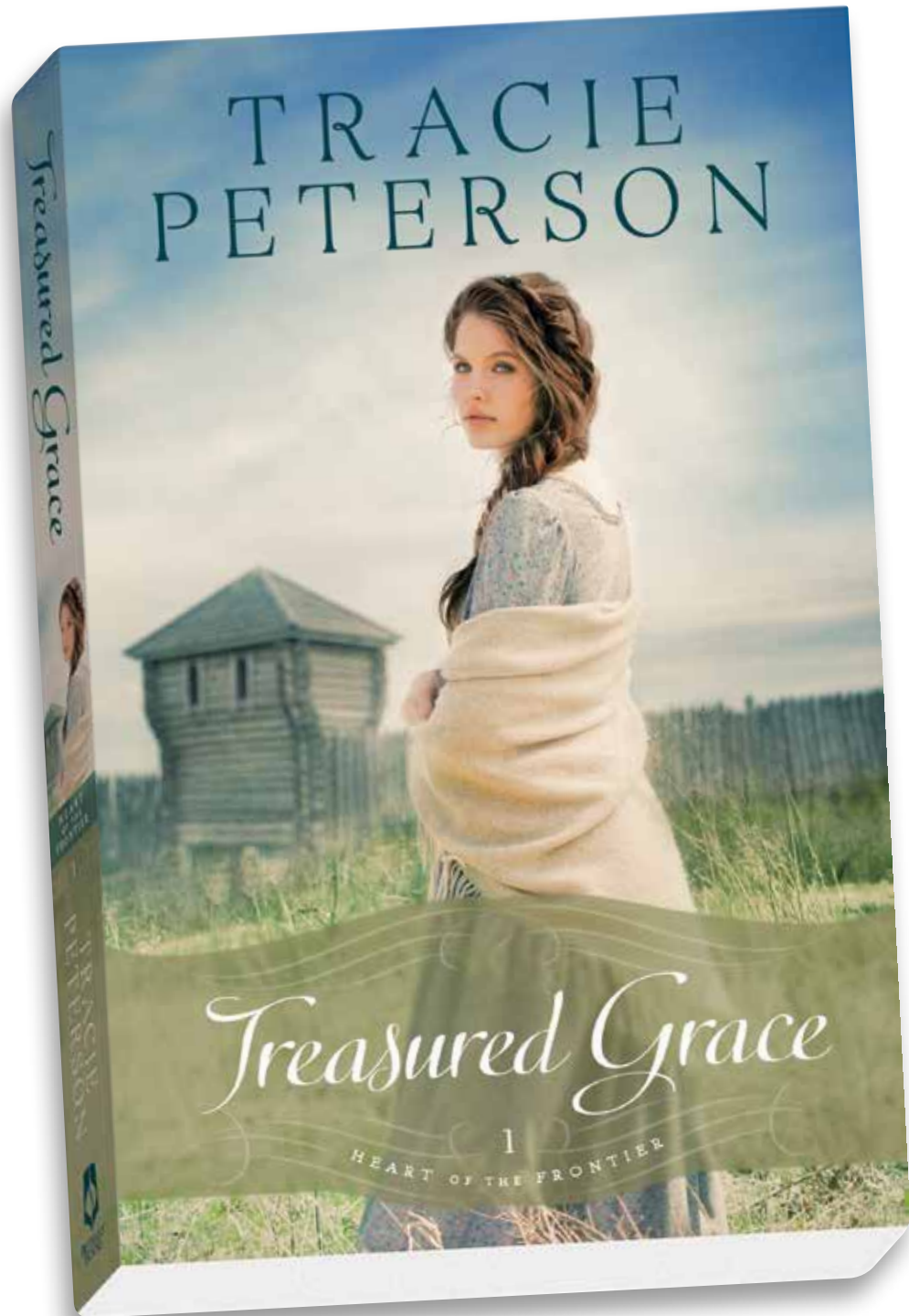
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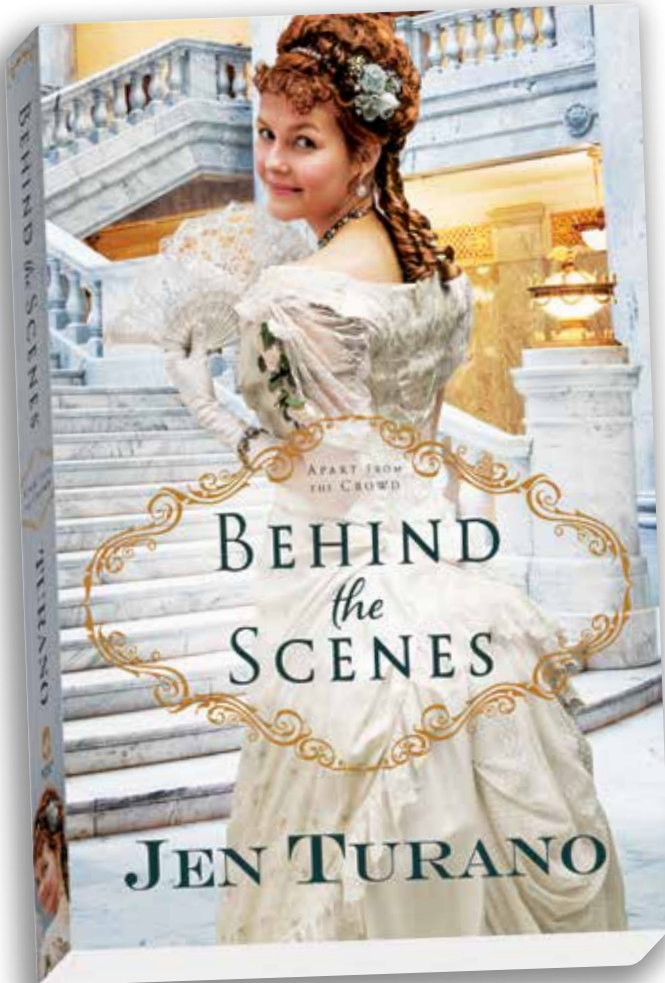
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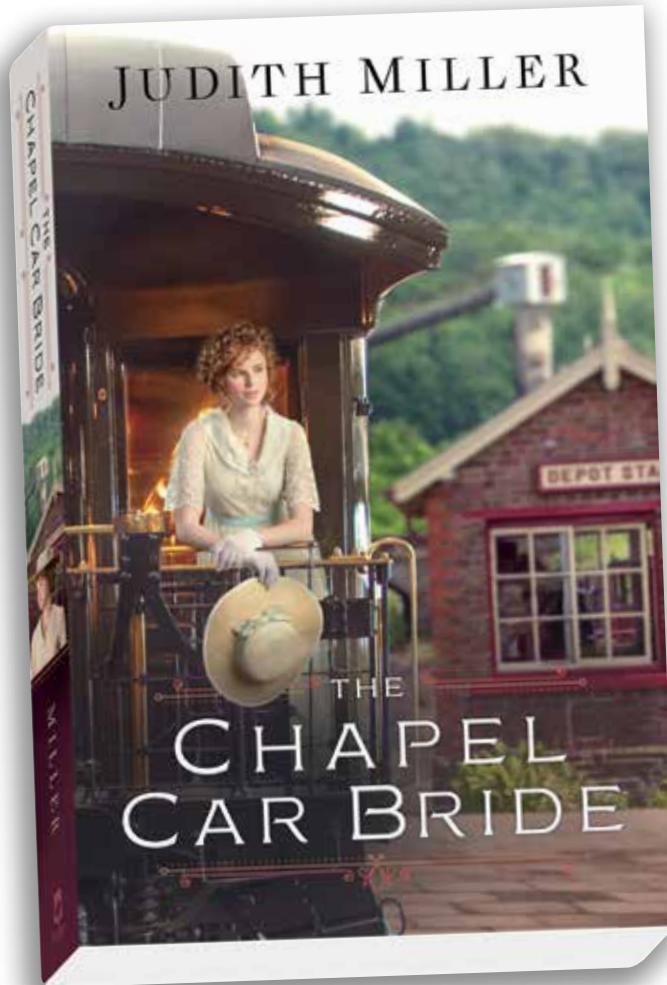
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## The Chapel Car Bride

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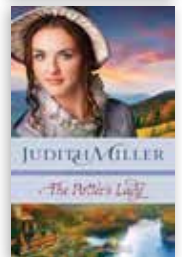
### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Judith Miller is an award-winning author whose avid research and love for history are reflected in her bestselling novels. Judy makes her home in Topeka, Kansas. Learn more at [www.judithmccoymiller.com](http://www.judithmccoymiller.com).



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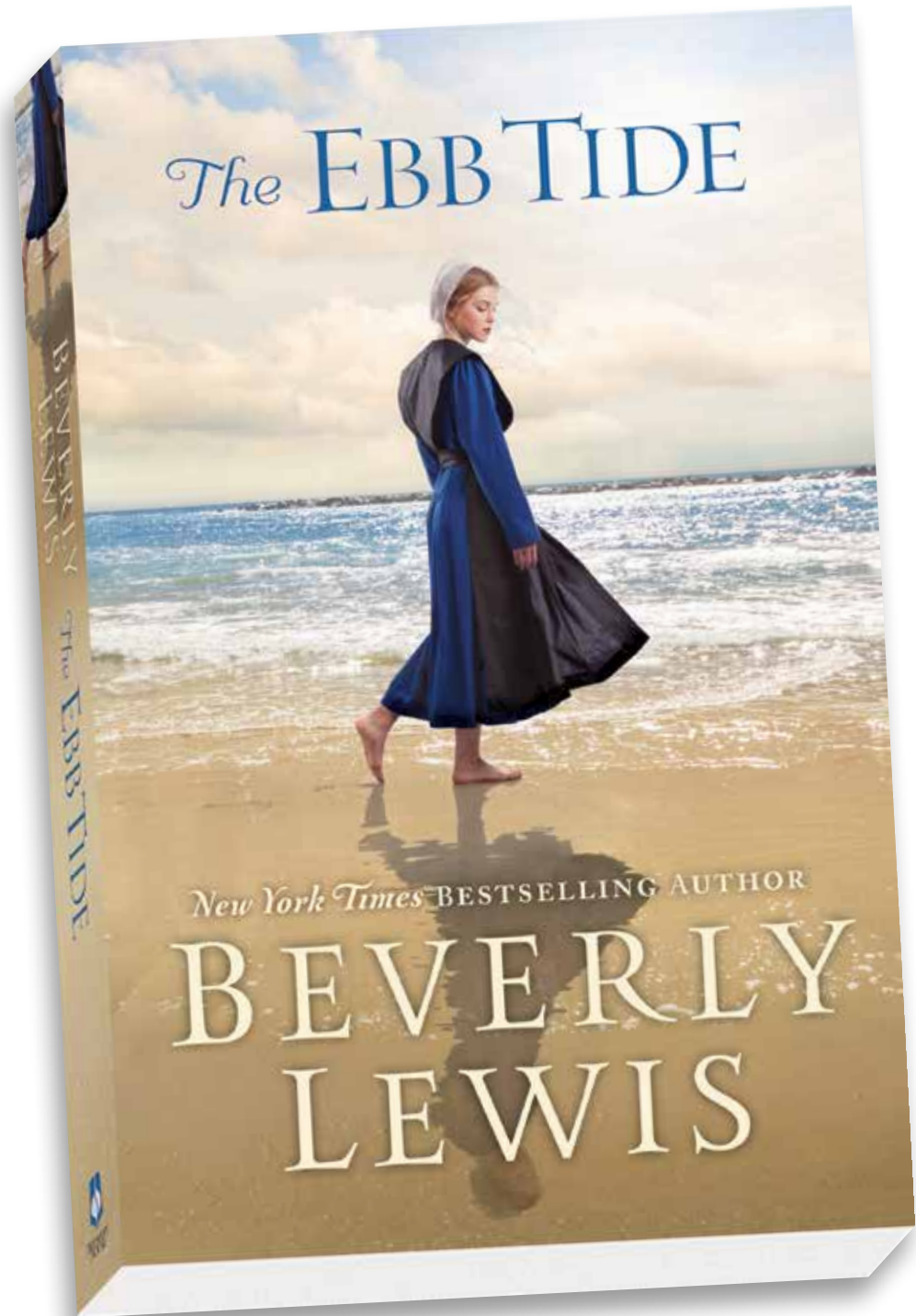
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Though she loves taking care of nine-year-old Autumn Weaver during the week, Sallie has free time on the weekends to enjoy the shore. It is there that she meets Edward Kreider, a young marine biology student who talks freely about all he's learning and asks about her interests, unlike the guys she grew up with. Sallie wonders if this is the kind of relationship she's been longing for. Then again, Ed isn't from her community—and he's Mennonite, not Amish.

Sallie is afraid of what her parents would think about her new friendship. But that's not all she's fearful of. When unexpected danger threatens Autumn, Sallie will have to put her fears aside. Will this be a summer to remember, or one to forget?

## The Ebb Tide

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Beverly and her husband, David, live in Colorado, where they enjoy hiking, biking, making music, and spending time with their family. Learn more at [www.beverlylewis.com](http://www.beverlylewis.com).

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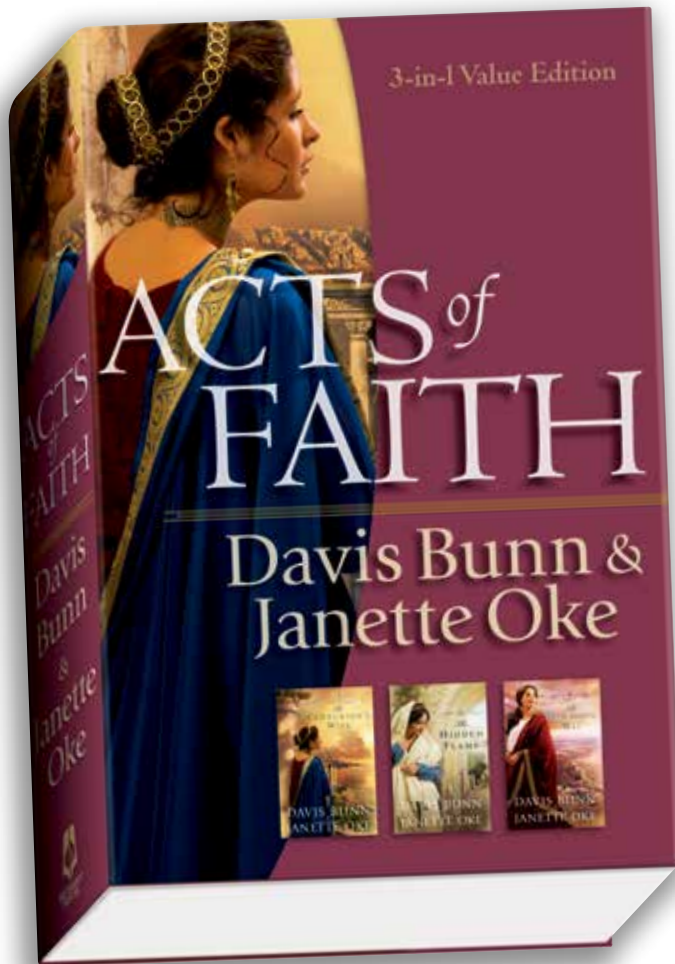
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EXCERPT

Behind the counter sat a man with greasy black hair sticking out from under an old trucker cap. He was flipping through a magazine, a stream of smoke clouding his face from the overflowing ashtray next to him.

He was punk scrawny and wore an old blue mechanics shirt with the name *Colten* stitched on the front pocket. He did not look up as Jack placed his supplies on the counter and reached for his wallet.

Taking a slow drag off a nonfiltered cigarette, the man blew smoke across the counter, and it hung in the air thick like a London fog. "You getting gas?"

"No, just this."

"That'll be five bucks then."

"You take a debit?" Jack asked, putting his card on the counter.

"You getting gas?"

"Uh, no . . . just this."

"Cash only, Jack."

Jack stared back, trying to cover his shock.

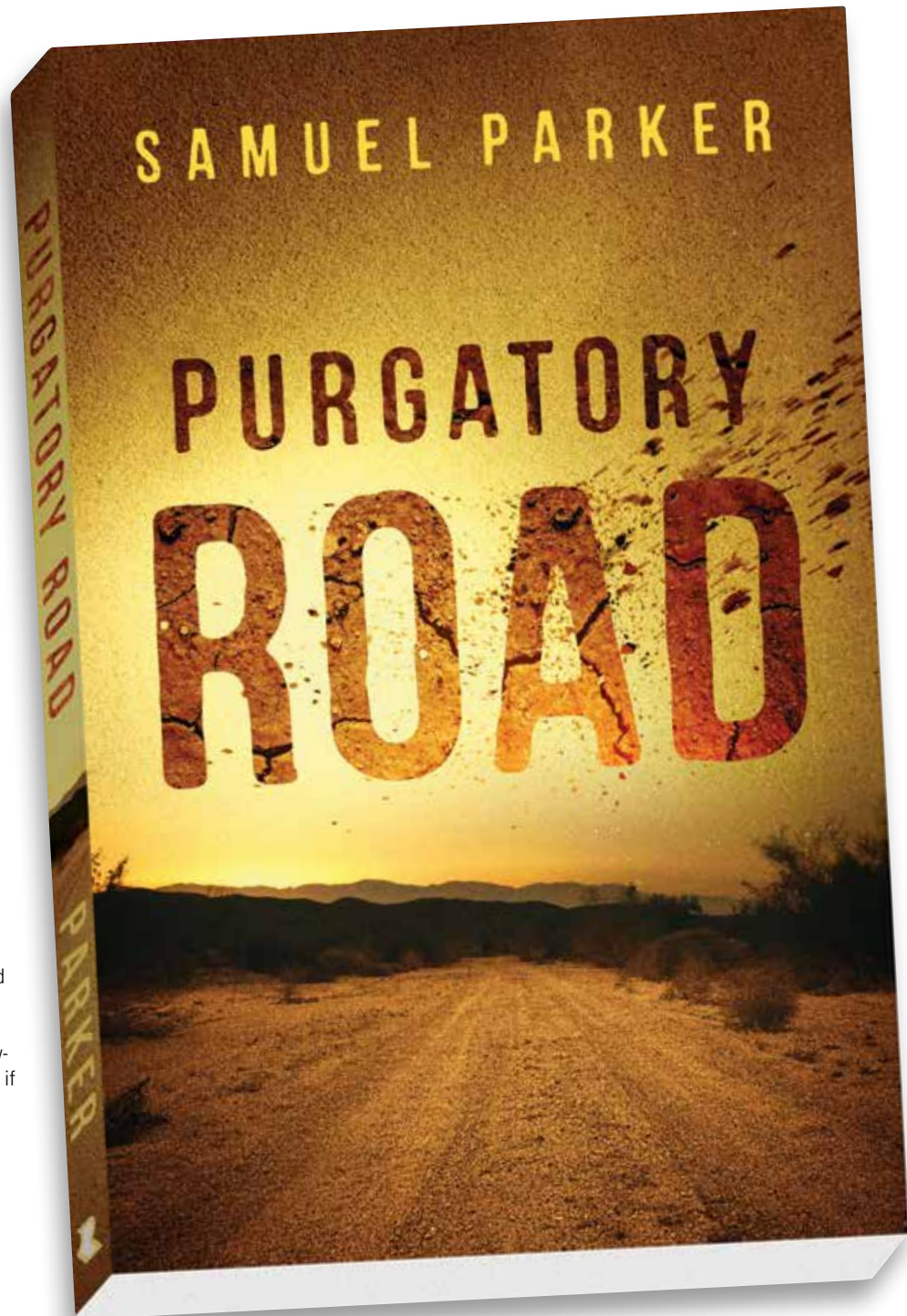
"Your name's on your card."

"Oh."

"Spook easily, don't you?"

Jack put the card back in his wallet and pulled out a five-dollar bill. Colten took the money, opened the till, dropped it in, and slammed the drawer, all while staring Jack in the eye. He took another toke. His hands were rough-hewn out of burnt leather, tipped with dirty fingernails. *The hands of a mechanic*, Jack thought, *or a thug.*

Silence filled the room as Jack started to collect his things. The smell of fresh nicotine combining with the stale musty air of the shop was suffocating, overpowering. He felt uncomfortable, worried, as if he had walked up on a rattlesnake.



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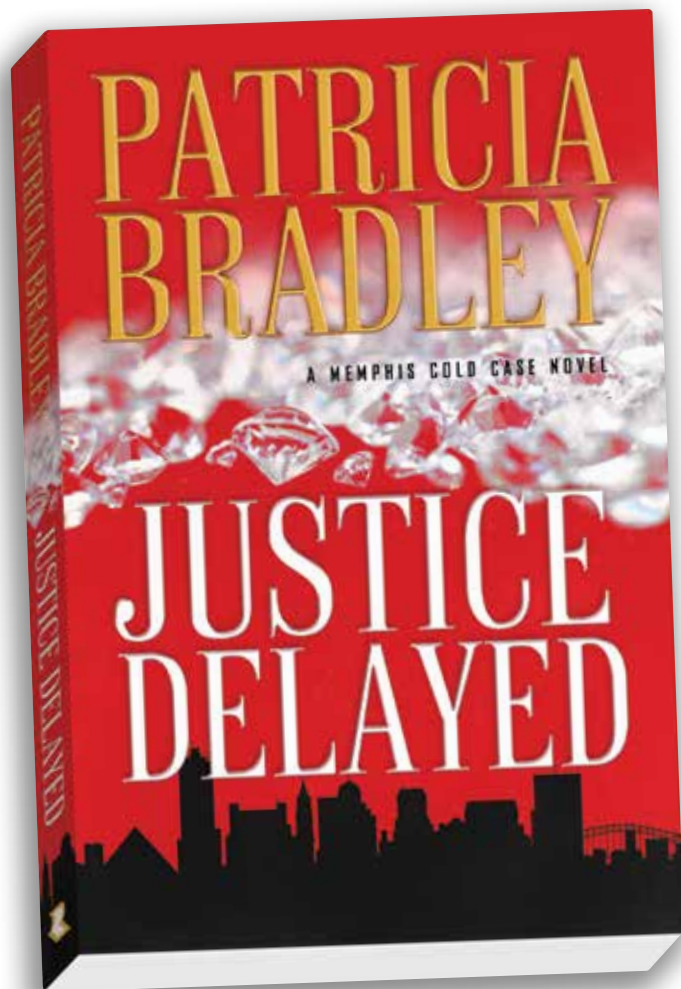
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Samuel Parker** was born in the Michigan boondocks but was raised on a never-ending road trip through the US. Besides writing, he is a process junkie and the ex-guitarist for several metal bands you’ve never heard of. He lives in West Michigan with his wife and twin sons.



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**Patricia Bradley** is the author of *Shadows of the Past*, *A Promise to Protect*, *Gone without a Trace*, and *Silence in the Dark*. Bradley has been a finalist for the Genesis Award, winner of a Daphne du Maurier Award, and winner of a Touched by Love Award. Bradley is cofounder of Aiming for Healthy Families, Inc., and she is a member of American Christian Fiction Writers and Romance Writers of America. Bradley makes her home in Mississippi. Learn more at [www.ptbradley.com](http://www.ptbradley.com).



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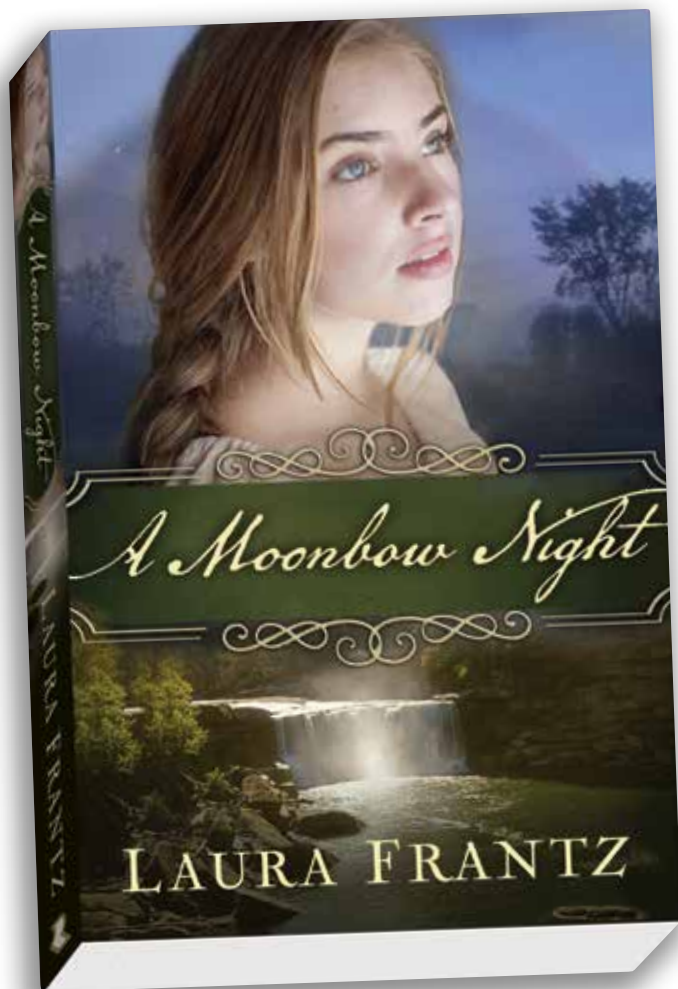
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EXCERPT

The tension that hung in the air last night lingered still.

Anna was on the upper deck of the *Charming Nancy*, spreading freshly washed laundry on a ship's yard to dry in the sun.

Bairn lowered his voice. "Some-  
thin' wrong?"

"You tell me." Anna hung the last shirt over a rigging and leaned back against the railing. "You seemed different after supper." She tilted her head. "Did your mood have anything to do with the quarrel you had with your father?" The afternoon sun caught Bairn full on the face. *You look into this man's face*, Anna thought, *and you long to possess all its secrets.*

"Y'think I was t'blame for the quarrel, dinnae ya?"

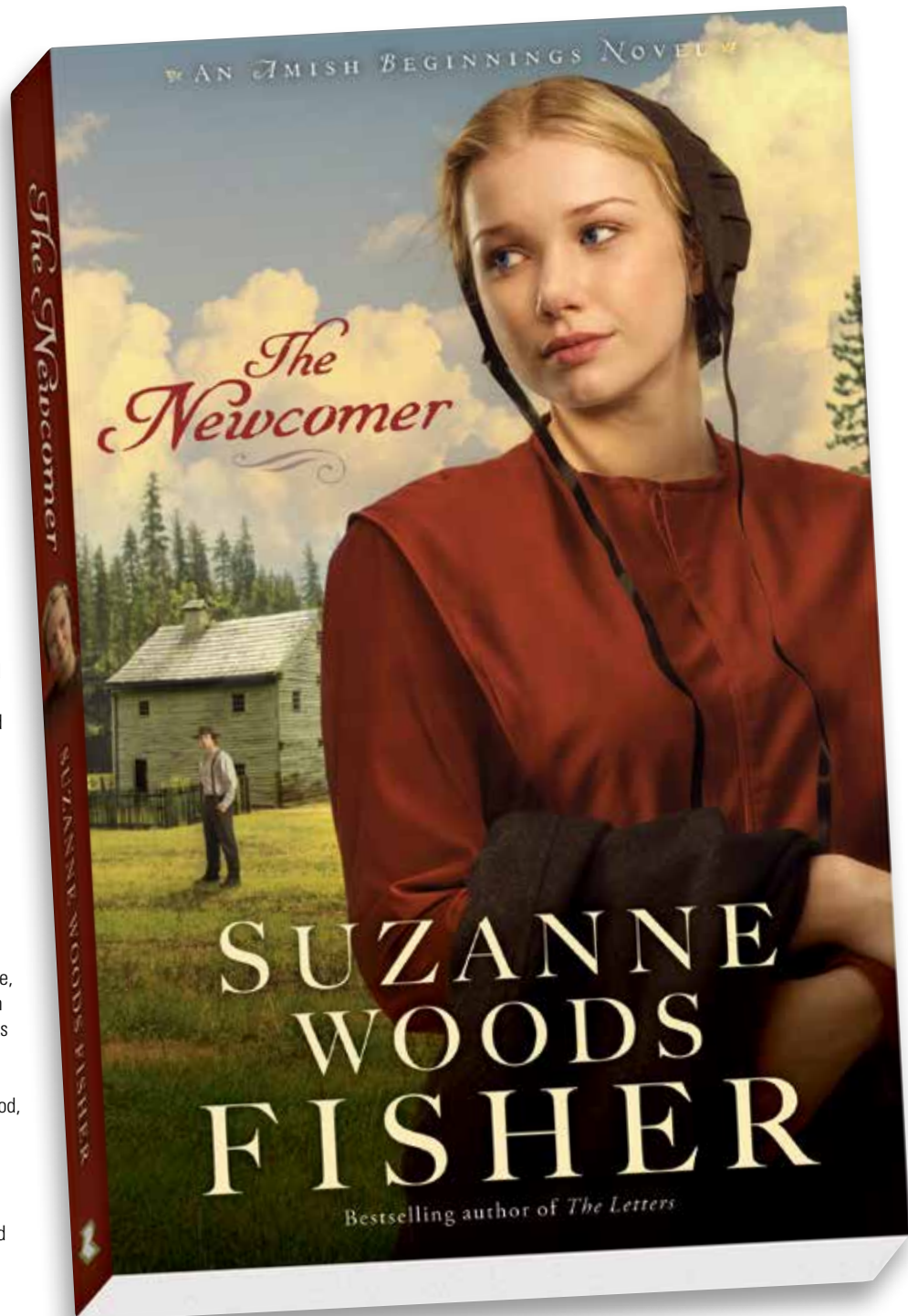
"Truly, I don't know." Who was to blame for the quarrel seemed far less important to her than the anger that flared between them. In that moment they were no longer father and son, but strangers.

How could a man and son be reunited after years apart with such rejoicing... yet scarcely a week later, they had stood glaring, hands on their hips, legs stiff, thoroughly frustrated and exasperated with each other?

"Then am I mistaken in my thinkin'?"

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EXCERPT

"Have you made any progress on finding the serial killer?"

"No." Quinn frowned. "I mean, I don't even know if there *is* a serial killer."

"But the messages keep coming and the people keep disappearing, right?"

"Yes." He massaged his temple. "So maybe it's just a serial kidnaper? We're missing something. Why can't we find them? Alive? Or even dead?"

"He's got a good hiding place."

"Unfortunately." Quinn's scowl deepened. "It's like they've just fallen off the face of the earth. We're stumped."

"That's the way it always goes, doesn't it?"

"Yes. Usually. Until he makes a mistake."

"How many victims now?"

"Eight. That we know of—over a six-month period of time." He ran a hand through his dark hair. "Or maybe none. I don't know."

She shuddered. "I worked several serial killer cases when I was with the FBI. I don't miss it."

"Well, that's not what I was hoping to hear."

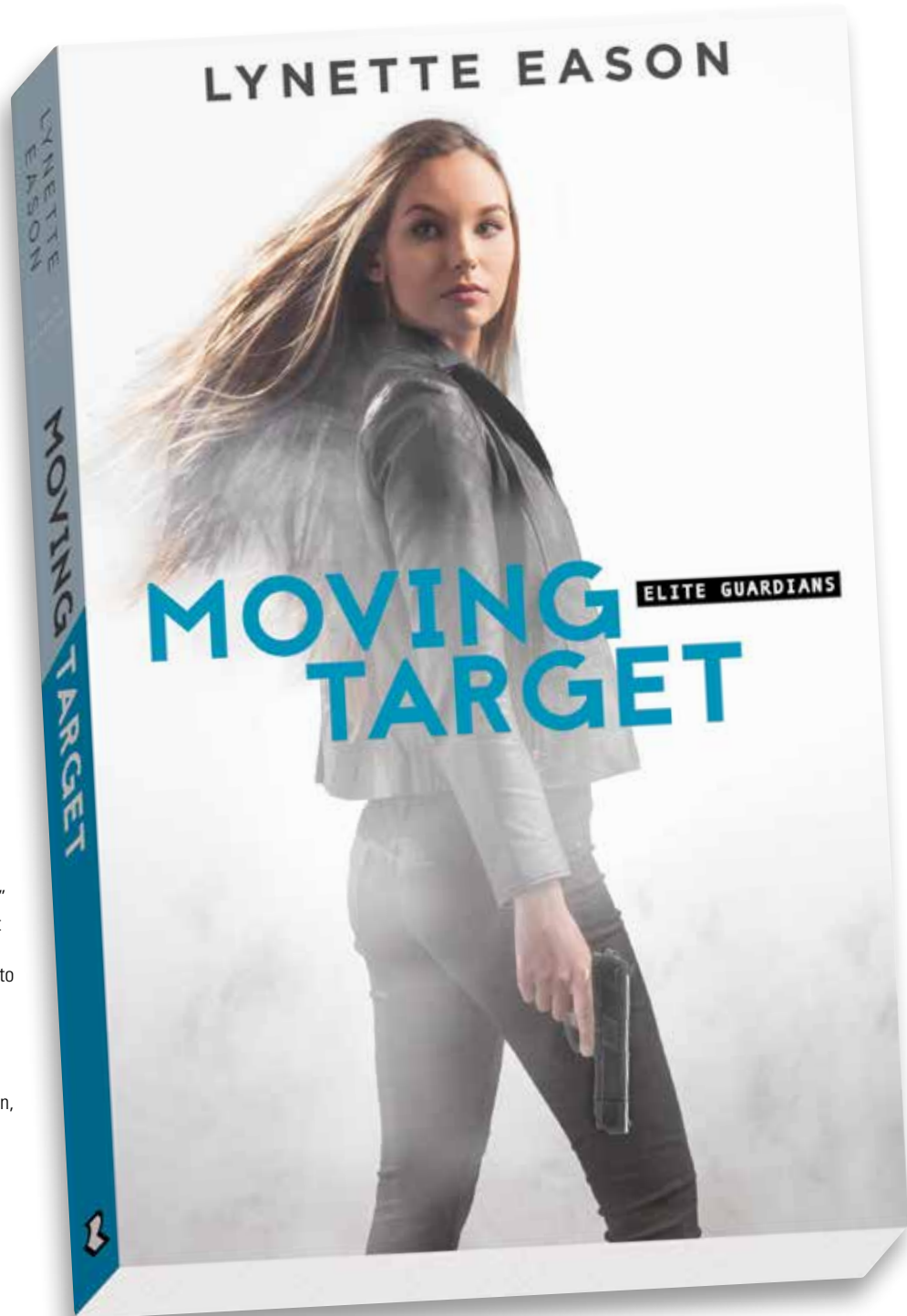
Wary, she eyed him. "What do you mean?"

He reached across the table and took her hand. "I need your help on this case."

She shook her head. "You've turned it over to the FBI. Let them handle it."

"I'm part of the task force and I want to recruit you."

She pulled her hand from his and ignored the flutter in her pulse at his touch. It was her turn to scowl. "I'm a bodyguard now. I quit the FBI for a reason, remember?"



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EXCERPT

He walked over to the window and put his forehead against the cool surface. Closed his eyes, just breathing.

Footsteps and the door opened. He didn't turn. Even at the voice.

"Sam?"

And shoot, his eyes were blurry, his cheeks wet. He wasn't sure how he'd dismantled quite so quickly, so thoroughly, but he couldn't look at her.

"Are you okay?"

"No." He wasn't sure why he admitted that, why he let his voice ring out, broken, febrile. But he just leaned up, stared out into the lot, the lonely lights puddling against the blackness. "I'm not."

Silence behind him, but she hadn't left, so he took it as a sign.

Maybe if he let her in, just a little, they might get to that deeper place, stir something back to life . . . "I thought I was going to die tonight."

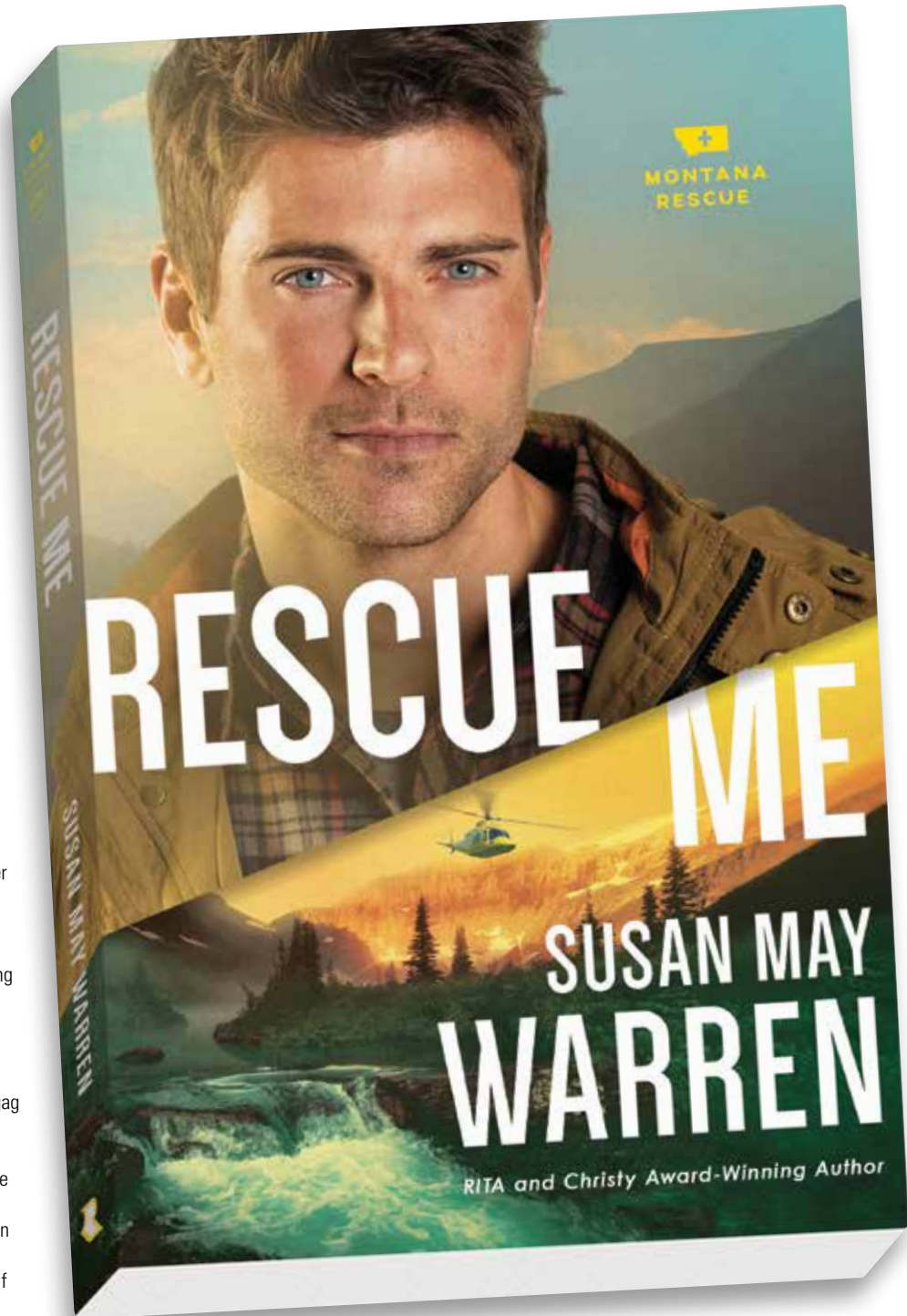
There, he said it, the words raking through him. "I lay there on the ground, the animal standing over me roaring and I thought—this is it. I'm dying, right here. And not nicely, either. It was going to hurt."

He heard a step toward him. "And I wasn't ready. I mean, who is, really, but . . . I thought, Not like this. Not when—well, my mom is still getting over her cancer. And Pete—" He closed his eyes. "I just sometimes still hate him so much it makes me want to scream. And then I am so . . . tired. Just tired of hurting and being furious and trying to hold it all together. And I thought of my dad—at least I probably did. Because that's how it came to me—the fact that bears, all large animals, really, have a pretty bad gag reflex. So I guess my dad saved me." He hadn't thought about that until now.

"All I could think of as I sat in that tree was how much I'd failed him. And not just the night he was lost, but . . ." He ran a thumb and forefinger against his eyes. "Esme, of course. I'll never forgive myself for not finding her."

It felt good to say it, even though she probably knew it.

Except, she said nothing.



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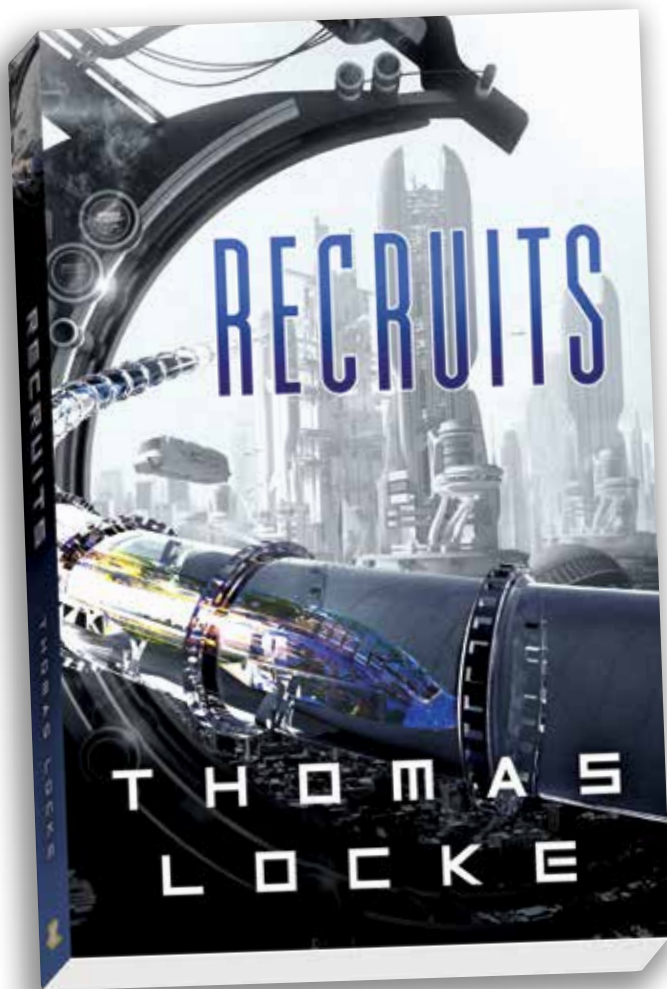
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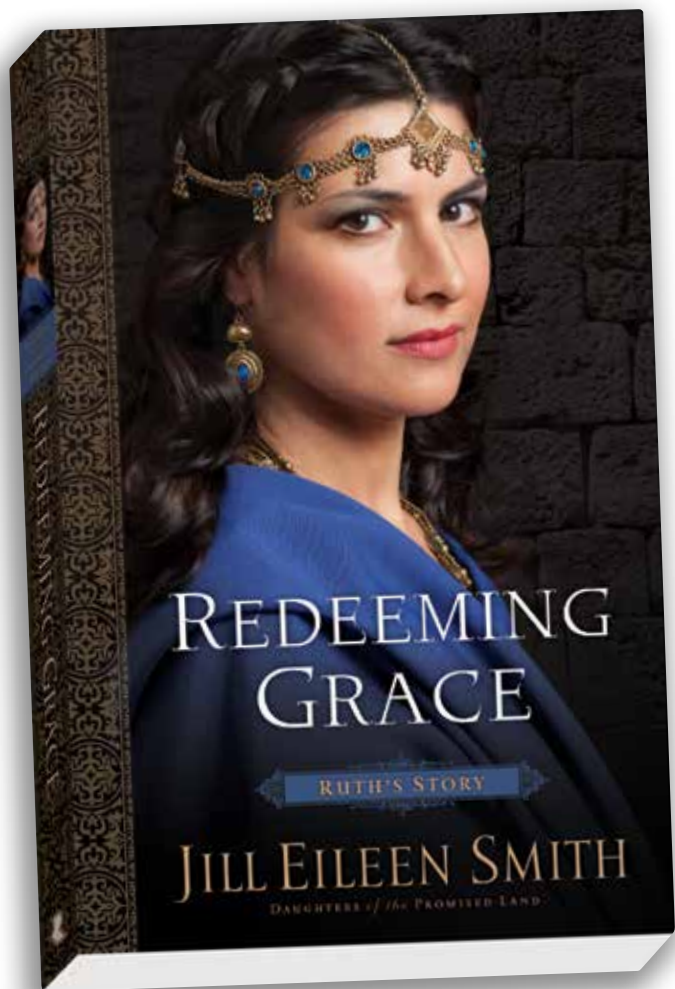
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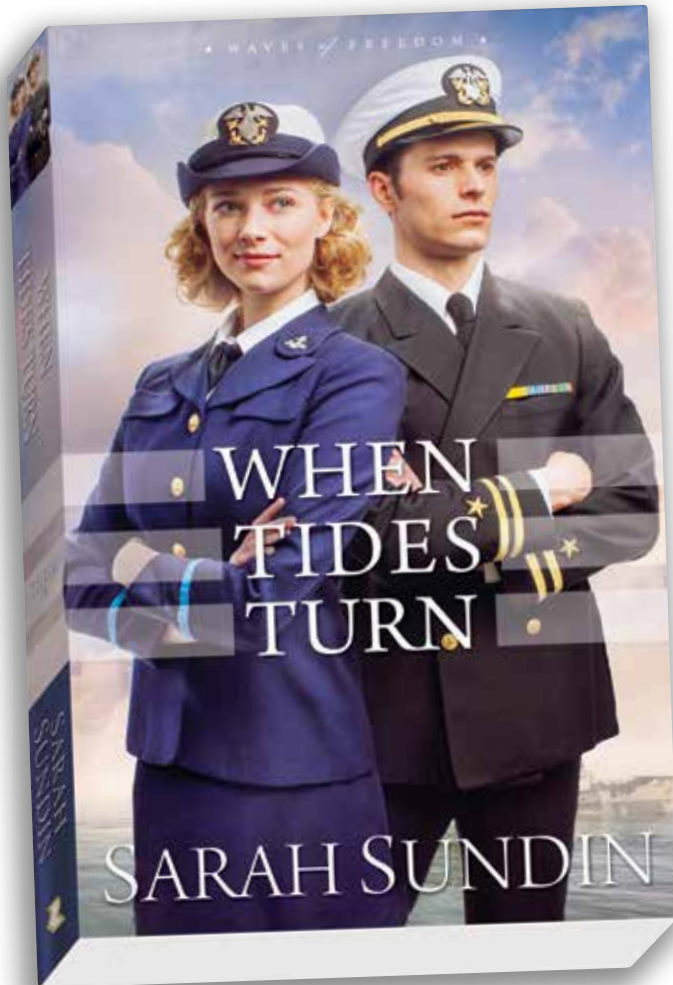
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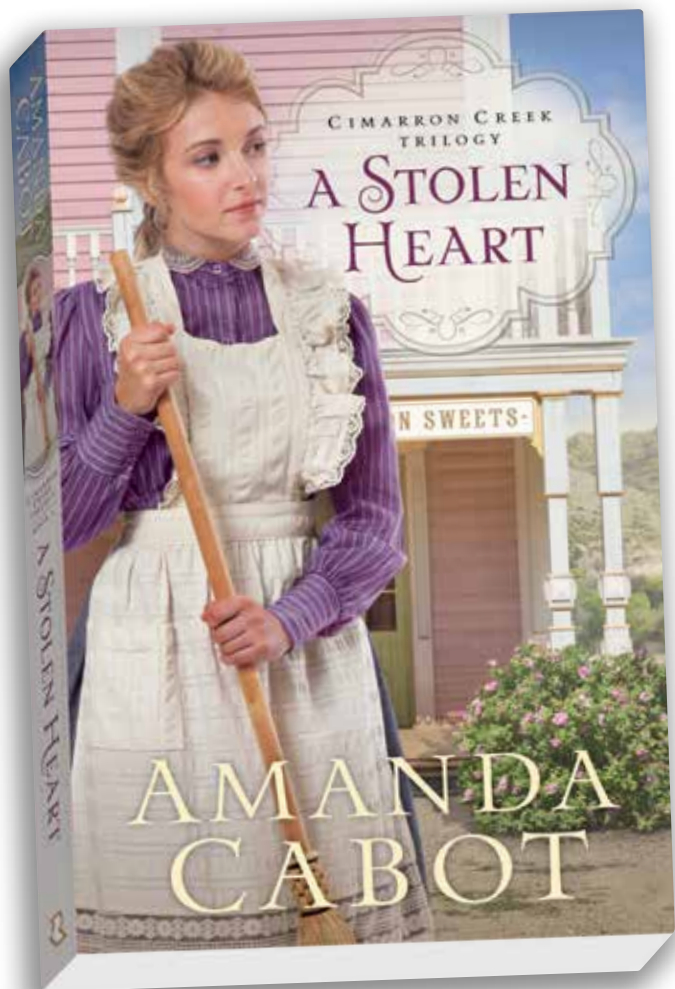
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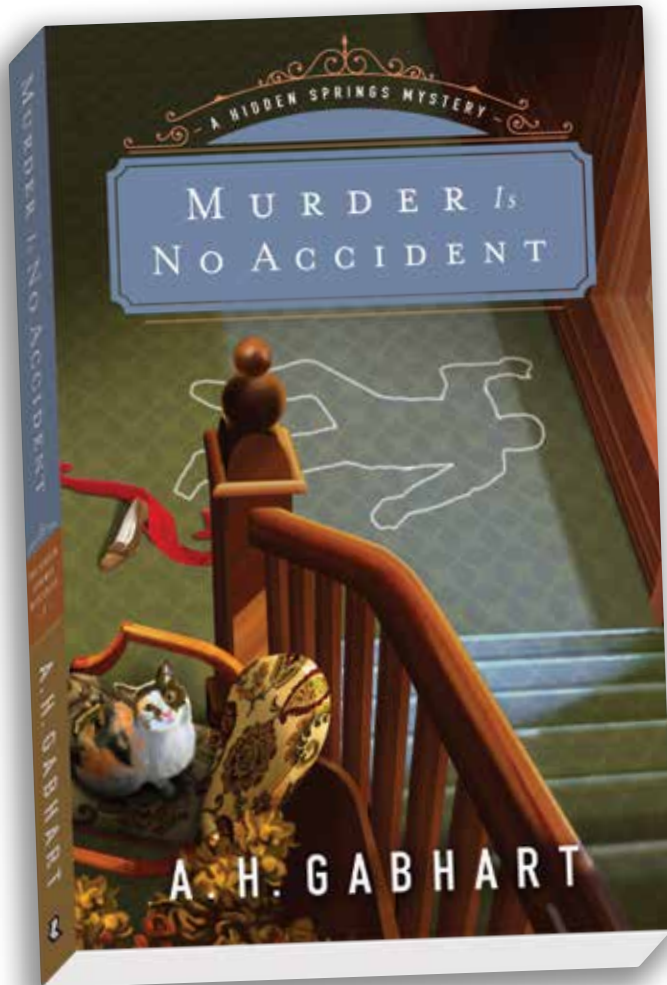
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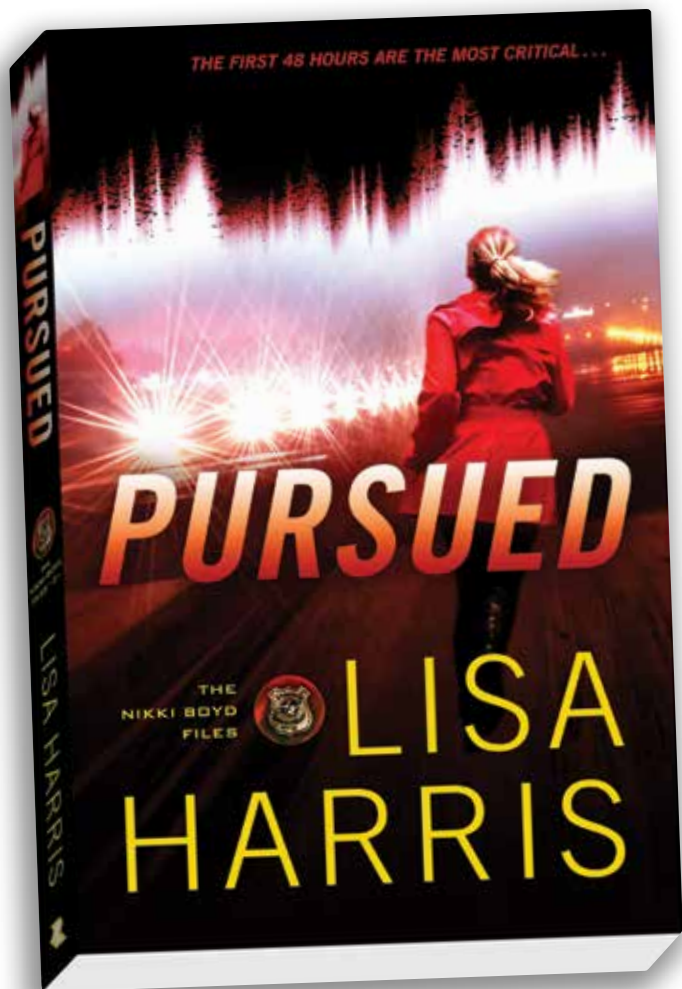
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EXCERPT

"Happy Monday, Lexie. How's your week starting out?"

Hope Harbor Police Chief Lexie Graham leaned a shoulder against the side of Charley's taco truck and considered the man's question as she gave the picturesque wharf a sweep.

All was peaceful and predictable...as usual. Just the way she liked it.

"So far, so good. Everything's been quiet."

"I don't know... looks can be deceiving. You ordering for one today?"

"Yes." She studied the taco-making artist, who hadn't changed one iota in all the years she'd known him. Same leathery, latte-colored skin. Same long gray hair pulled back into a ponytail. Same kindly, insightful eyes.

It was comforting to have one unchanging element in a world that liked to throw curves.

"So did you find any clues out at Adam's place?"

At the non sequitur, she blinked. "What are you talking about?"

"The vandalism at Adam Stone's place yesterday." He stirred the onions. "Didn't he report it?"

"Not that I know of." And she would know if he had. Every crime report landed on her desk.

"Hmm. That surprises me, seeing as how this is his second hit."

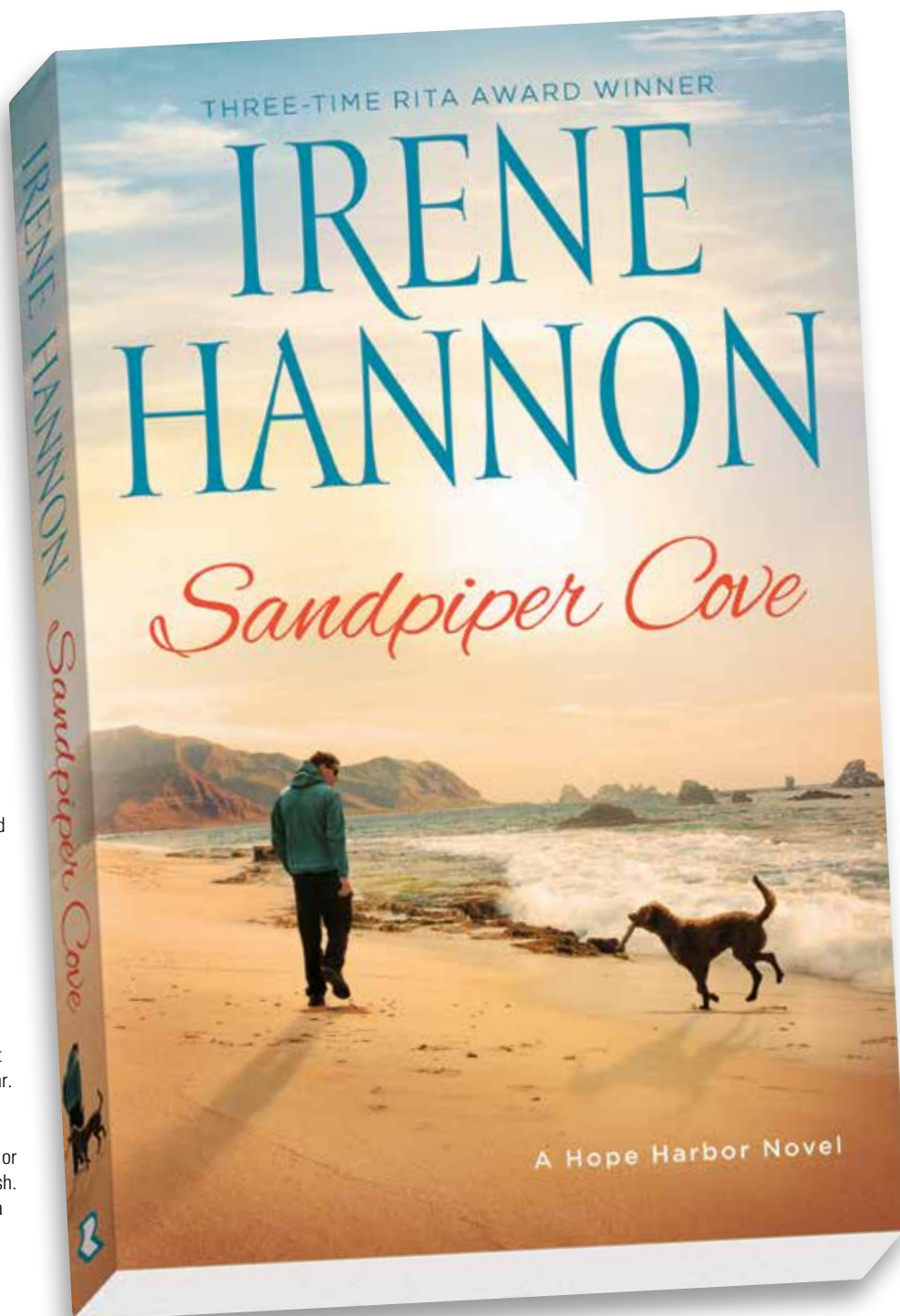
There'd been two incidents of unreported vandalism inside the town limits?

"Well, I can't solve crimes if people don't report them." A prickle of irritation sharpened her tone.

"I suppose, given his history, he might prefer to stay off law enforcement's radar. You do know Adam, don't you?"

She called up an image of the man she'd seen only from a distance. Six-one or two, lean, muscled, dark hair worn longish. She wouldn't be surprised if he sported a few tattoos, too.

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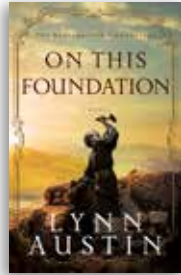
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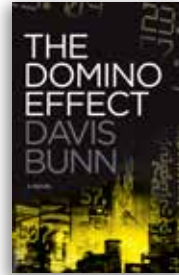
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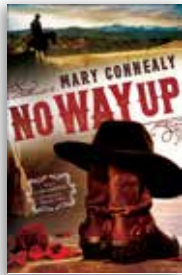
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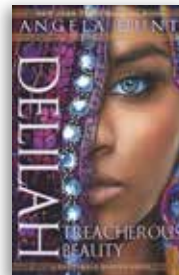
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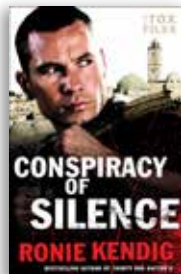
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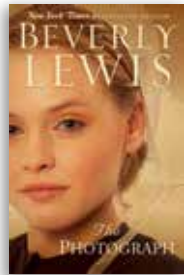
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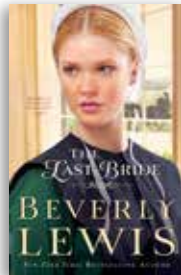
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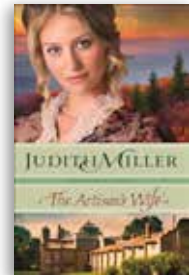
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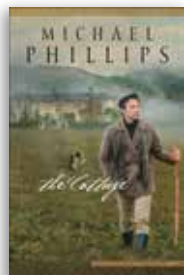
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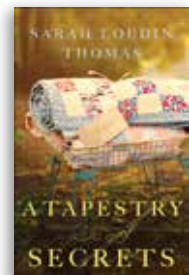
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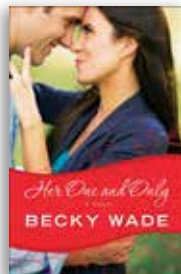
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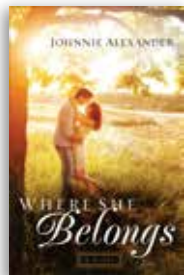
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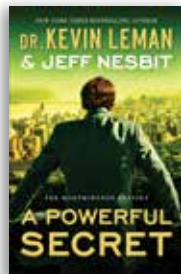
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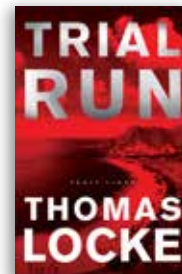
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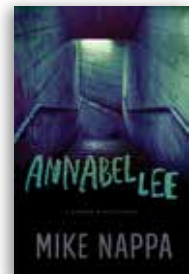
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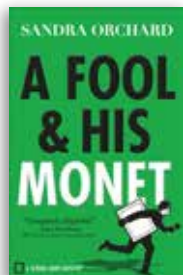
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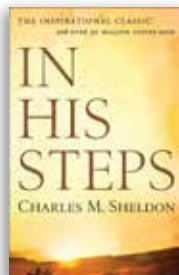
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# BIBLICAL FICTION CONTINUES TO DRAW READERS INTO GOD'S STORY

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Novels based on biblical events and characters have long been popular with readers who yearn to see God's story told in entertaining and interesting ways. Currently, the genre is seeing an upswing in popularity, and authors who are willing to do the hard work of research and combine it with fantastic storytelling are experiencing success. Jill Eileen Smith, Angela Hunt, and Connilyn Cossette are three authors who are doing just that.

Authors and publishing professionals credit the rise in popularity of biblical fiction in part to mainstream media interest in movies and miniseries based on the Bible. The success of movies such as *Risen* and *The Nativity Story* and their subsequent novelizations (Hunt did both) prove that audiences and readers are curious about biblical stories and continue to want more.

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"Biblical fiction is now selling more again and selling better than average," says Steve Oates, vice president of marketing for Bethany House. He remembers when Angela Hunt did her Joseph series in the mid-1990s and Davis Bunn and Janette Oke did the ACTS OF FAITH series in the early 2000s. He calls it the first wave.

"Now we're seeing a second wave," he says. "The interest from Hollywood and the TV miniseries *The Bible* created an environment where it's easy to sell these books."

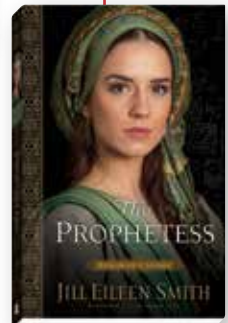
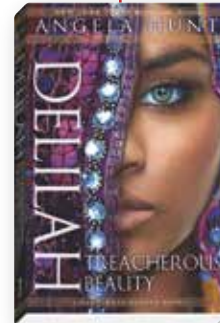
Hunt, who has written more than 130 books, including children's titles, nonfiction, and collaborations, loves researching her novels. "Writing biblical fiction forces me to get the details right: what they ate, what they wore, the culture, commerce, how children were raised," she says. "The Bible is one my sources, but by far not my main source."

Hunt's novel *Delilah*, third in the DANGEROUS BEAUTY series, came out with Bethany House in June 2016, following *Bathsheba* and *Esther*. Hunt recently signed a contract for a new series with Bethany that takes place in the four hundred years between the Old and New Testaments. She'll focus on bringing to life the women who lived and loved during those "years of prophetic silence," which most readers know little about.

Jill Eileen Smith wrote her first biblical fiction back in the 1980s, but she had to wait until 2007 to sell the book to the same editor who rejected it all those years before. *Michal* was first in THE WIVES OF KING DAVID series with Revell and was followed up with the WIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS series, the LOVES OF KING SOLOMON series, and her newest, the DAUGHTERS OF THE PROMISED LAND series. *The Prophetess: Deborah's Story* released February 2016. *Ruth* and *Hannah* are forthcoming.

"I think the genre is here to stay a little longer, especially for those who are known in the field," says Smith. "Themes I've discovered and write about are reconciliation, forgiveness, and grace. I love to point readers to the truth that we all need grace."

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Hunt



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Jill Eileen  
Smith



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**Author**  
Connilyn  
Cossette

For author Connilyn Cossette, her interest in biblical fiction came from her interest in the Bible. She began studying the Bible to understand the heritage of her faith, drawn to the culture, historical context, and Hebrew language. The second in her OUT FROM EGYPT series, *Shadow of the Storm*, releases in October. Her debut novel, *Counted with the Stars*, released in April 2016.

Michele Misiak, director of marketing for fiction at Revell, remembers the biblical fiction surge six or seven years ago. She sees the same thing happening now and is looking for another stellar author or two writing in the genre.

"Readers want to know what it feels like to walk in Bible times," she says. "When you read Bible stories written as fiction, you can really feel the sandals flapping in the dust. Biblical fiction has room to create that kind of richness in the story."

The best authors stay true to the Bible and to the historical context, which attracts readers hungry for settings they can picture and characters who feel like real people.

"I research everything about a particular time period, but if I find discrepancies I always go back to the Bible," says Hunt. "The times may shift and change, but human nature never does. People still get angry, fall in love; people are people no matter when they live. I hope my biblical fiction helps people understand the big picture of who God is."

Hunt, Smith, and Cossette will also continue to pen biblical fiction—at least until the pendulum swings back.

Says Cossette, "I am fascinated by the normal, everyday Hebrew and Egyptian and how they would have viewed the events of the exodus from Egypt. For now I'll stay with biblical fiction. I feel like it's what I'm called to do." ■

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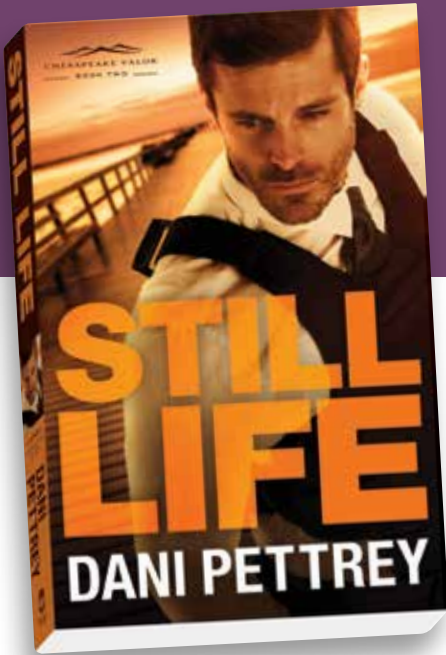
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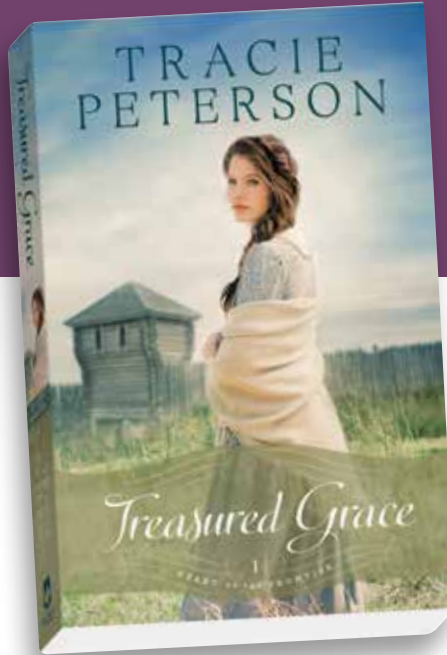
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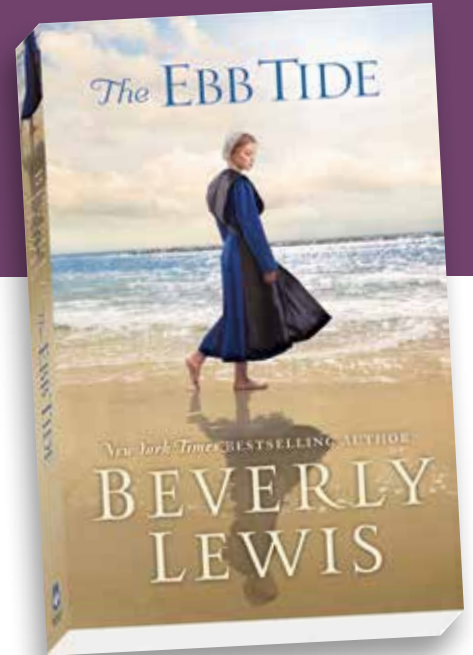
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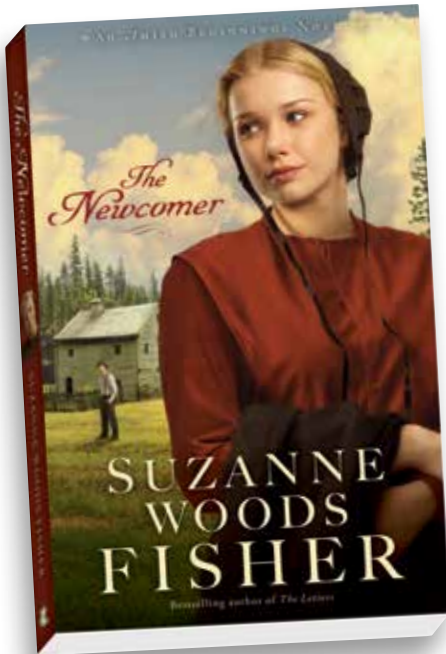
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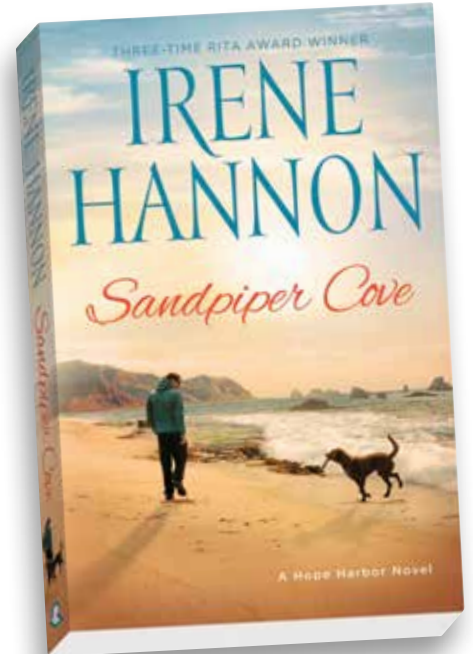
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