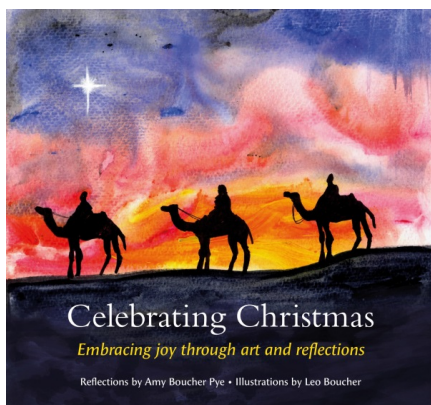




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Celebrating Christmas

Embracing joy through art and reflections

Amy Boucher Pye, Leo Boucher

A joyful Christmas gift book to lift the spirits

Key benefits

- Art and words from a father-daughter duo
- 25 reflections, prayers and colour illustrations to ponder through the season of Advent
- Text gently leads us to embrace the spiritual discipline of celebration
- A melding of the biblical story of Jesus' birth with cultural components of Christmas roots our celebrations both in Christ and in our ordinary experiences
- Includes a section of 'visio divina' (how to pray with art) and questions to spark prayer, reflection and discussion
- Thoughtful gift for family (parents, grandparents, grown children), friends and godchildren
- Attractive hardback gift book for Christmas

Target readership

- *Woman Alive* readers
- People who enjoy Amy Boucher Pye's writing
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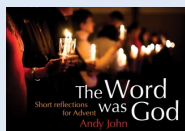
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'Daughter and father, wordsmith and artist, combine seamlessly to create a celebration of the warmth, love, promise and glory of Christ's birth on earth, and what that means for us today.' Pam Rhodes, broadcaster and writer

About the authors

Amy Boucher Pye and Leo Boucher share their art and reflections from London and Minnesota. Amy is a writer and speaker with a thousand devotional reflections in print, including with New Daylight and Our Daily Bread.

Leo is a retired data systems analyst and creator who paints in his art shack and volunteers with his church and other organisations, including teaching art to seniors at retirement communities. Find them at amyboucherpye.com.

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The Christmas Story

for families to share

Martyn Payne

A special Christmas book for families to share

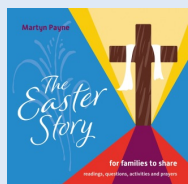
Key benefits

- Tells the story of the first Christmas through Bible readings, questions, activities and prayers
- Interactive and all-age approach encourages Bible reading together as a family
- Affordable self-purchase or giveaway by churches
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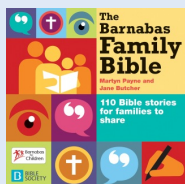
Target readership

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Praise for *The Easter Story*.

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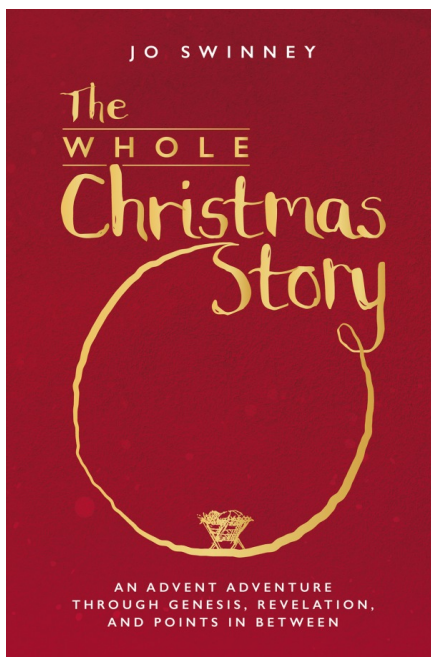
About the author

Formerly part of BRF's Messy Church team, Martyn Payne is a gifted storyteller whose previous books *The Big Story* (2011) and *Creative Ways to Tell a Bible Story* (2012) demonstrate the variety of approaches he uses to bring the Bible alive for children and adults alike. He is passionate about the blessing that comes when generations explore faith together.

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The Whole Christmas Story

An Advent adventure through Genesis, Revelation, and points in between

Jo Swinney

The BRF Advent book for 2021

Key benefits

- Daily devotions for Advent through to Epiphany
- Explores the biblical theme of 'shalom' – God's gift of peace, wholeness and fullness in him through Jesus
- Invites people into a deeper relationship with God, to have their deepest needs met by him
- Encourages the start or continuation of a habit of daily Bible reading, reflection and prayer

Target readership

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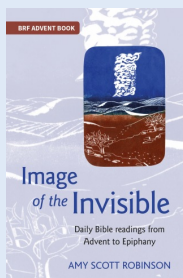
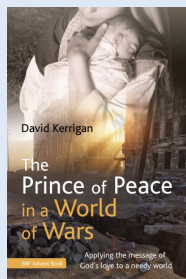
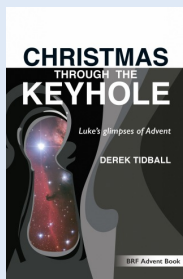


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Summary

The Christmas season with all its glitter and promise can throw our brokenness into stark relief. And our pain is not soothed by the overconsumption of mulled wine and cheese or another set of overpackaged toiletries. Advent offers us the chance to come again to the manger, to sit and wonder at the birth of God's son Jesus, and to receive his gift of shalom – wholeness, healing and peace.

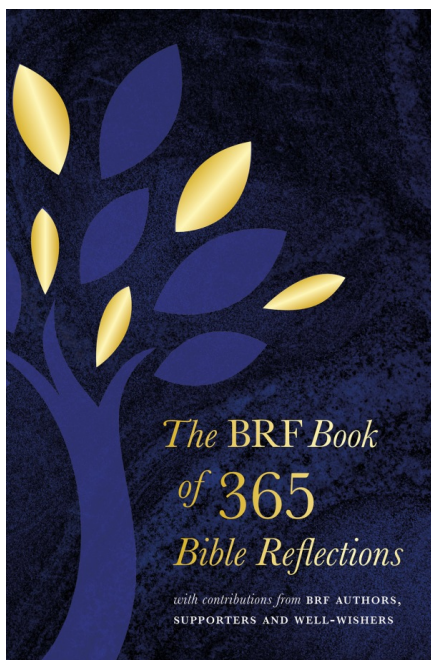
About the author

Jo Swinney is a UK based author, speaker and editor, with an MA in theology from Regent College, Vancouver. She is Director of Church Communications at CPO, editor of Bible Society's Lyfe Journal, columnist for Christian Today, and contributor to LICC's Connecting with Culture and Scripture Union's Daily Bread. She blogs at www.joswinney.com.

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with contributions from BRF authors, supporters and well-wishers

Karen Laister, Olivia Warburton

An anniversary celebration of BRF's Bible reading heritage

Key benefits

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- Includes contributions from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and many other authors, supporters and well-wishers from a wide range of traditions
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Target readership

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Including sections which lead us through the Bible narrative as well as thematic and seasonal sections, it is the perfect daily companion to resource your spiritual journey.

Contributors include: Ian Adams, John Bell, Inderjit Bhogal, Amy Boucher Pye, Stephen Cottrell, Steven Croft, Mark Greene, Isabelle Hamley, Bob Hartman, Bev Jullien, Krish Kandiah, Paul Kerensa, Ann Lewin, Bex Lewis, Chine McDonald, Lucy Moore, Rob Parsons, John Pritchard, Jennifer Rees Larcombe, Pam Rhodes, Margaret Silf, Jo Swinney, Stephen Timms, Graham Tomlin and Justin Welby.

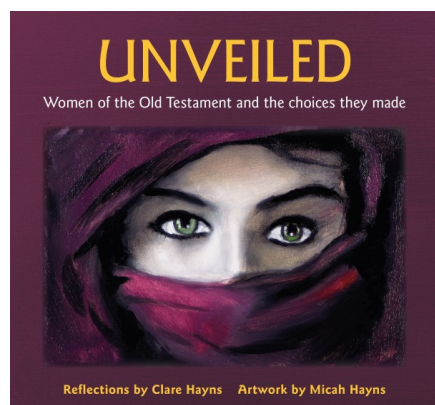
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Unveiled

Women of the Old Testament and the choices they made

Clare Hayns, Micah Hayns

An illustrated exploration of the lives of 40 Old Testament women

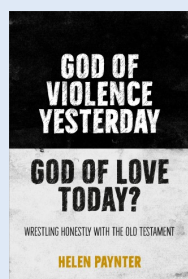
Key benefits

- Focuses on the often overlooked but sharply relevant stories of Old Testament women, both the well-known and the less familiar
- Contains 40 daily readings and reflections, each illustrated with original artwork depicting the woman in question, created in charcoal and oils
- Makes connections with today's context, covering themes such as social justice, the treatment of women and friendship

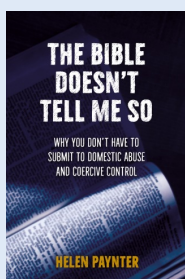
Target readership

- People attracted by the striking artwork and by biblical/feminist history
- People interested in finding out more about the stories of the Old Testament
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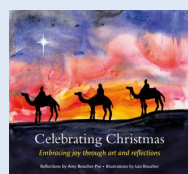
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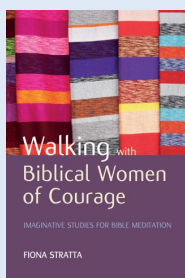
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Summary

Some women of the Hebrew scriptures are well known, but many others are barely remembered. Even when they are, we often don't pause on them long enough to think about what we might learn from them. *Unveiled*, written with frankness and humour and illustrated with striking artwork from a young Oxford-based artist, explores the stories of 40 women in 40 days. Each reflection ends with a short application to everyday life, guidance for further thought and a prayer.

About the authors

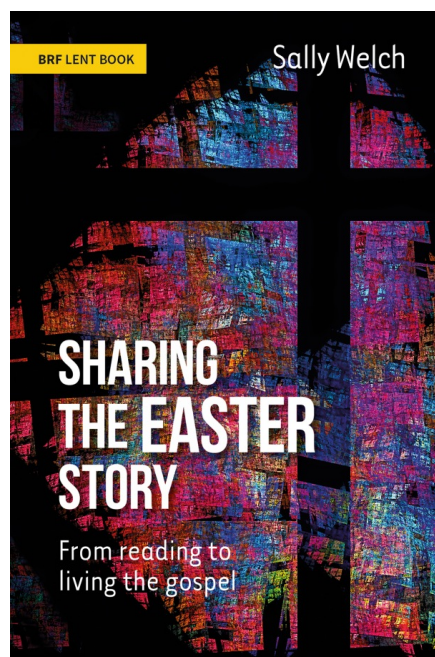
Clare Hayns is College Chaplain at Christ Church, Oxford. She grew up in rural Buckinghamshire, her childhood more Pony Club than church youth group. Pre-ordination she was a social worker and then ran an events company. She is married to John, an entertainer, and has three creative sons, the eldest of whom is the illustrator of this book.

Born in 1997, Micah Hayns is a contemporary classical painter from Oxford. He takes the classical techniques and tradition of the old masters, whom he studied at the Florence Academy of Art, and infuses them with a contemporary aesthetic, inspired by street art, abstract expressionism and collage.

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Sharing the Easter Story

From reading to living the gospel

Sally Welch

The BRF Lent book for 2022 - how can we share the story?

Key benefits

- Themed reflections drawn from across the Bible narrative, sensitively brought together by BRF's *New Daylight* editor Sally Welch
- Offers a process for how we might move from simply understanding the facts of the Easter story, through reflection, to living it out and sharing the story with others
- Each week examines a different aspect of sharing the story and builds on the one before
- Includes questions and suggestions for group study
- Additional downloadable PDF available, containing seven weeks of short pilgrimage-focused walks

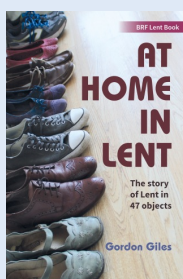
Target readership

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- Those who study the Bible regularly
- Those who prefer to commit only to a specific programme of study
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- Church leaders and home group leaders

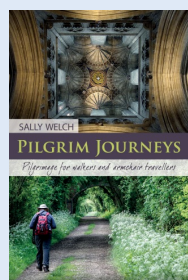
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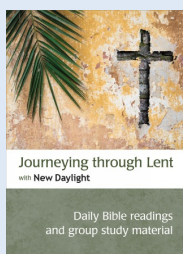
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Summary

In this year's BRF Lent book Sally Welch explores two questions: What is the Easter story really about, and how do we share it?

Through each week of Lent, a different aspect of the Easter story is examined: **repenting, changing, hoping, trusting, forgiving, loving and sacrificing**. Within each week, the days are focused on what we need to do in order to share the story: **listening, understanding, reflecting, living, telling, sharing and becoming**. Each day offers a Bible passage, followed by a reflection and prayer activity. Suggestions for group study and group study questions are also included.

About the author

Sally Welch is a parish priest of 20 years' standing, having ministered in both rural and urban contexts within the Diocese of Oxford. She is currently the Diocesan Spirituality Adviser and co-director of the Centre for Christian Pilgrimage. Sally is a committed pilgrim and has walked many pilgrim routes in the UK and Europe, with plans for many more.

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