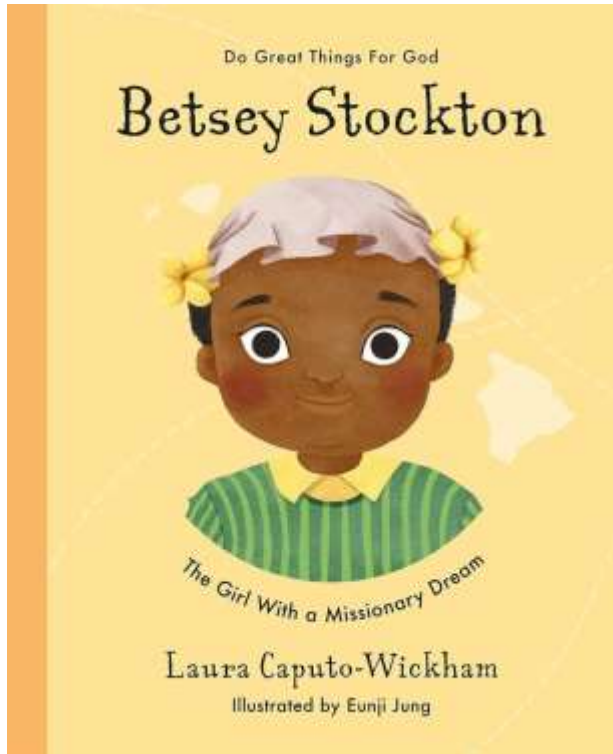


FFWPU UK: Children's Book Review - Betsey Stockton - Girl with a Missionary Dream

Ala Zubovskis
June 4, 2025



This Month's book review from our Children's Ministry's Ala Z. is 'Betsey Stockton: The Girl with a Missionary Dream' by Laura Caputo-Wickham.

Inspiring Young Hearts: The Story of Betsey Stockton

In our latest recommended read, Betsey Stockton: The Girl with a Missionary Dream by Laura Caputo-Wickham, children are introduced to a truly remarkable role model. Born into slavery, Betsey Stockton gained her freedom and went on to become one of the first African American single women to serve as a missionary overseas.

This beautifully illustrated book shares Betsey's courageous journey to Hawaii in the 1820s, where she dedicated herself to educating children and training local teachers. Her deep faith, perseverance, and love for others shine through on every page.

Part of the "Do Great Things for God" series, this book is perfect for children aged 4 and up, offering an accessible introduction to important themes like faith, justice, and purpose.

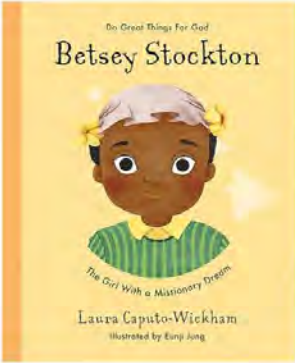
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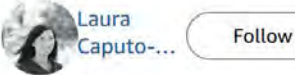
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Laura Caputo-Wickham is a children's author from Rome, now living in Kent with her husband, James, two young daughters and a cat. In her spare time, Laura is involved with her church's toddler group and helps the children in her local school with their reading.

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Laura Caputo-Wickham is a children's author and freelance writer. Originally from Rome, she now lives in the UK with her family. Laura is the author of several picture books exploring themes like multilingualism and multiculturalism as well as the series of children's books, 'Do Great Things for God', exploring the lives of great pioneers of faith.

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I'd never heard of Betsey Stockton, but wow what a story! Born into slavery, freed as a young woman, and determined to pursue her dream of being a missionary, we all enjoyed this book (9yo daughter, 6yo boy twins - and adults!). This story will appeal to a wide age group - from a 3/4 year old with a 5 minute attention span to a 9/10 year old who still enjoys a snuggle and a picture book! Hardback, with gorgeous illustrations, it makes a lovely gift too.

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I volunteer in a Christian school where the majority of students are African American and Hispanic. One day an administrator commented that it has been challenging finding books about people of color that weren't sports figures. These books are perfect for young readers(K-2) and feature three African American women who did great things for God and others. The stories are compelling and the illustrations are great. Highly recommend!

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This book is well written and was easy for our 5-6 yr olds to understand. They have requested we buy more books from this series!

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This book is so sweet! Betsey truly was an extraordinary woman who loved God! I am excited to gift this book to all the little girls in my life!

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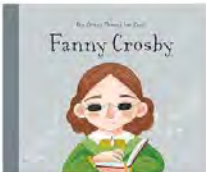
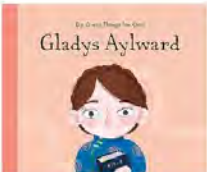
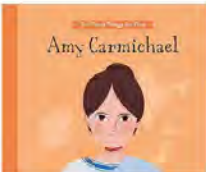
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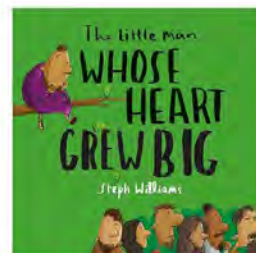
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