

# Heavenly Help

—True stories of special help from God

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## Mamita's Jungle Farm

True Stories—Easy Readers

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Mamita was a brave and hard-working older woman.

With two of her grown children and a couple of mules, she travelled through the jungle in Ecuador until she found the land she chose to make her farm.

She built a simple hut of straw and wood to live in.



She planted, rice, beans, corn, coffee, and every type of fruit native to the area.

Her adult children had already returned to their own homes long ago.

When she had reaped about a hundred pounds of rice, she put the sack of it on her shoulder and started walking towards a small town to get the rice cleaned.

Mamita had to walk across a huge river to get to the town, but it had always been at a low level and she had crossed it easily before.

However, on that day the river was very deep and flowing fast.

When she reached the middle of the river, she realized that she couldn't make it across safely.

She cried out to God to help her.





Suddenly there appeared a light-skinned, young teen boy, who ran to her and carried her and the sack of rice to the other side.

When he had set her down, Mamita turned to thank him, but he had disappeared.

When she reached the small town where she would get the rice cleaned, she asked everyone if they knew of such a boy.



Those at the small town knew everyone who lived around there, yet no one knew anything about him.

They'd never seen or heard about him before.

Mamita thanked God for sending an angel to save her and help her cross the river.



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## Clean Clothes

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Mel was a man who had faith that God would care for him and supply all his needs.

He was a native missionary in Indonesia, and travelled all around, often through jungles.

He believed that as he obeyed what the Lord told him to do, the Lord would answer his prayers for whatever he needed.





One time he and his team were visiting a village.

They thought they would only be there for one day, and so they didn't bring a change of clothes.

Because it is so hot and dusty there, clothes get very sweaty and dirty and need to be washed after just one day.

Their plans changed, and instead of going home after one day, the travelling team needed to stay in this village for several days.



Their clothes were dirty, but there was no soap to wash them with, nor fresh sets of clothes to wear.

They wanted to look and smell clean while talking with people they met. What could they do?

This missionary team prayed and asked the Lord about it. Then, an amazing thing happened.



As they were praying, their clothes became clean! They went to talk with the people in the village, and everyone noticed how clean and neat they looked.

Their clothes stayed clean-looking by a miracle, all the days that they stayed there. That had never happened to people there before. They were amazed!



When the team returned later to their homes, their clothes once again became dirty after one day.

In their homes they had a way to wash their clothes and change into clean ones.

The Lord did that miracle for them when there was no other way, and it was needed to help them tell others the good news of Jesus' love.



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## Butterfly Pet

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One day a special and unusual friend came to bring cheer to a lady who felt very sad, tired and lonely.

She worked very hard every day and needed some encouragement.

Just then a child told her of a butterfly they had noticed that needed help. It was wet, and its wing was a bit hurt.



The lady put the butterfly in the sunshine to dry off. She hoped it could fly again afterwards.

When she checked on it later, instead of flying away, it fluttered over and landed on her finger.

It wanted to stay with her all day, perched on her arm or shoulder, no matter what she was doing.

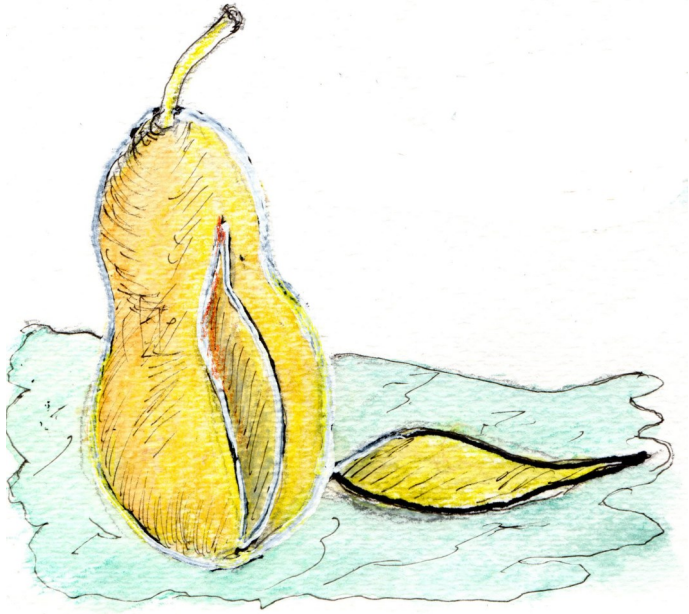




This made her feel loved and happy and not alone anymore.

The lady tried to put the butterfly on a plant in the house so she could cook, but it just flew back to her again.

When it got hungry and thirsty its long, thin tongue was extended all the way out.



To feed her new little friend she would put a drop of juice from a piece of pear onto her hand, and so the butterfly could touch its tongue to it. It liked that juice drink.

At night she placed the butterfly by her bed in a covered box with air holes.





In the morning the butterfly was again happy to be her partner during the day.

It stayed with her all that day, and the day after that too, riding on her arm or shoulder as she worked.

The lady enjoyed the company of this butterfly pet for three days, and then it fluttered off. It seemed to disappear in the wind outside.

She was encouraged by this dear butterfly that stayed with her like a little friendly pet.



It took her sadness away, and the lady felt happy in her heart.



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## God's Audio Player

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There were some children in Indonesia who loved Jesus very much.

They wanted to tell others about Him. They would pray for people, placing their hands on them, and Jesus would give healing to many people through these children's prayers.



The children would listen to Jesus and He would tell them what to say and what to do.

Many adults and children in villages all around learned about Jesus because of these young ones' words and prayers.

Things weren't so easy for these children who lived a jungle area.

They lived without some of the basic things that many people enjoy having.



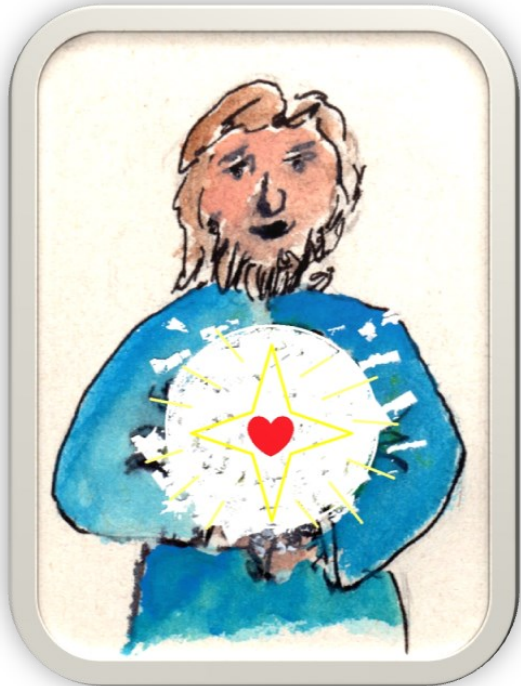


Sometimes people who didn't follow Jesus made things difficult for them.

Jesus loved them and wanted to encourage them.

One day when they were praying, Jesus said, "I'm going to give you a surprise today! If you sing

beautifully, I will play back your voices for you so you all can hear exactly how it sounded."





They lived in simple ways without modern inventions. They had never heard their own voices recorded and played on speakers.

This gift from Jesus would very special. So they began to sing beautifully to the Lord.

Then when they were through, Jesus said, “Now, if you will be quiet, I will play back your voices for

So they all were quiet, and suddenly music filled the air.

The children were amazed and very happy as they recognised their voices in the music that Jesus played back to them right out of the air.





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## Painting Heaven

True Stories—Easy Readers

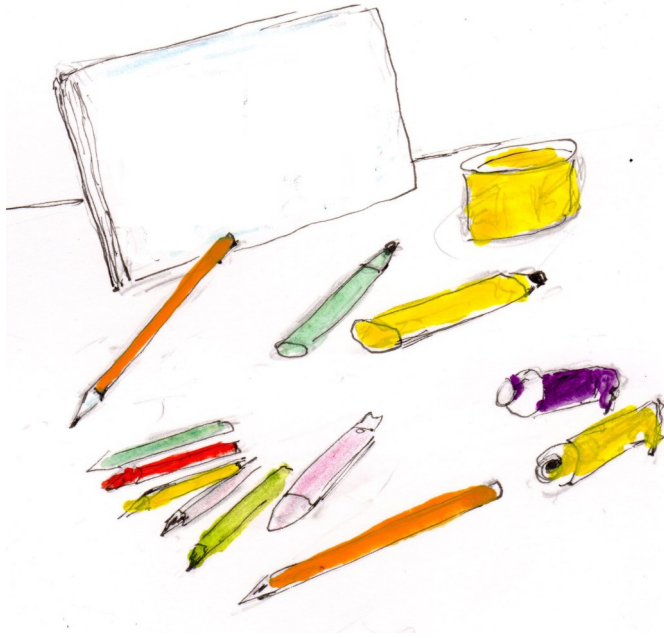
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A four-year-old girl named Akiane lived in a family that didn't know about God or Heaven.

She didn't watch any television, and learned and played at home. No one had told her about Jesus. Then she was given a special gift.

God let her have beautiful pictures in her mind of what Heaven is like, and visions of Jesus.



This little girl wanted to show these things to others, but the only way she could do it was to draw the pictures. So she began learning to draw.

Because God wanted her to show and tell others about Heaven and Jesus, God gave her amazing art skill at a very young age.



When Akiane was six years old, she began using paints to show the lovely, heavenly visions God was giving her.

When she was eight years old, she painted a wonderful portrait of the face of Jesus; a vision of Him that she'd seen.

When she was 12 years old, she described what Jesus is like when she sees visions of Him:

“He is pure. He’s really strong and big, and His eyes are just beautiful.”

This girl learned that God and Jesus and Heaven are real, even though no one had told her.

It was a miracle that she was able to paint amazing pictures very professionally, even better than most adult artists.





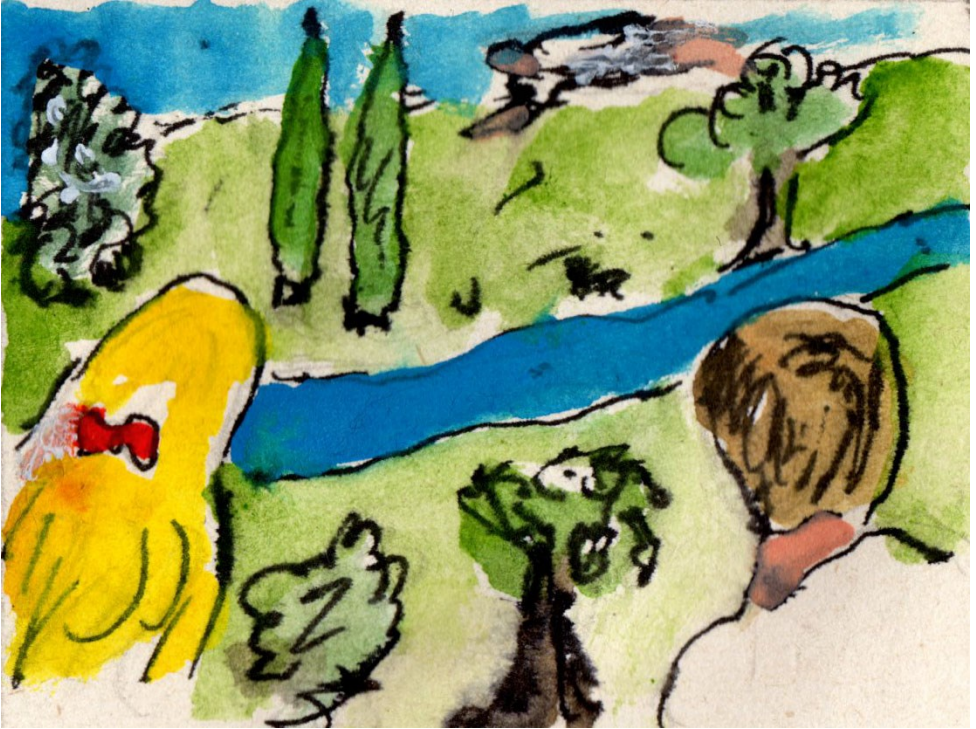


This miracle helped her family believe in God and receive Jesus as their Saviour.

Akiane's visions and art gift from God are helping to show many others how loving and amazing Jesus is, and that Heaven is real and wonderful.



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Heaven is Real

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A Christian family was going on a trip to another town. Their little boy, Colton, began to feel very sick.



Something was wrong inside and he had to go to the hospital for emergency care.

When he was put into a special sleep so the doctors could work on him, Jesus gave young Colton a wonderful trip to Heaven, and he heard angels singing to him.

Colton got to see and talk with Jesus and sit on His lap. Colton noticed how nice Jesus' eyes were. They were so beautiful and filled with love.

After his trip to Heaven, when Colton saw a painting by a girl named Akiane\*, who had seen visions of Jesus too, he said that was what Jesus had looked like to him, when he went to Heaven.



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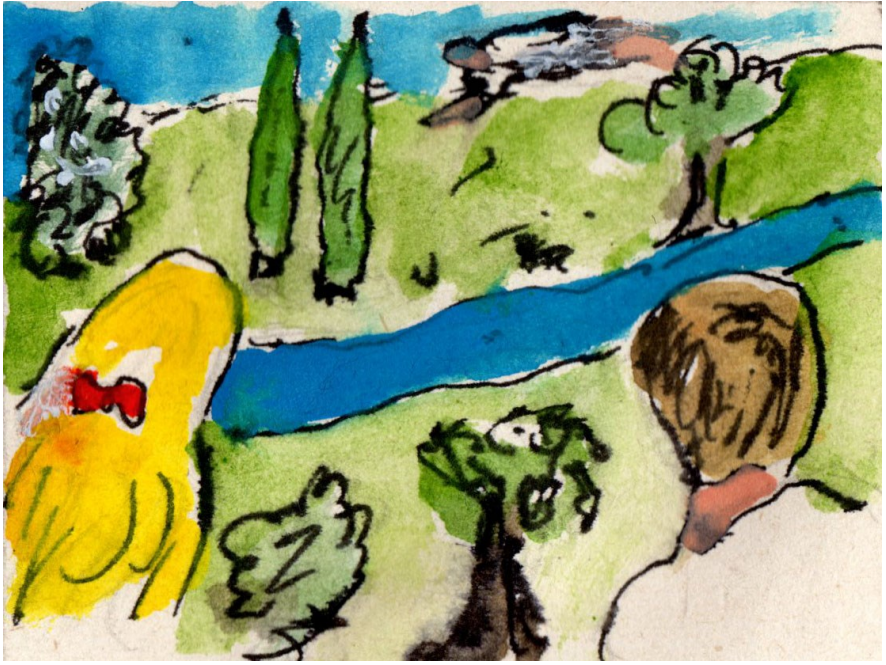
Colton also told of the many gorgeous colours in Heaven, and how beautiful it was there.

He said that Jesus has a horse that



He rides on, and that there are many nice animals in Heaven as well.

Colton noticed the marks on Jesus' hands and feet, showing that He had given His life on Earth for us, to forgive us and let us come to Heaven.



Later, when someone asked Colton why Jesus did that, he said, “So we can see His Dad,” (God the Father).

This boy wants to let everyone know that Heaven is real, and is a wonderful place—and those that have received Jesus get to go there.

He wants everyone to know and love Jesus, so they can go there one day, too.