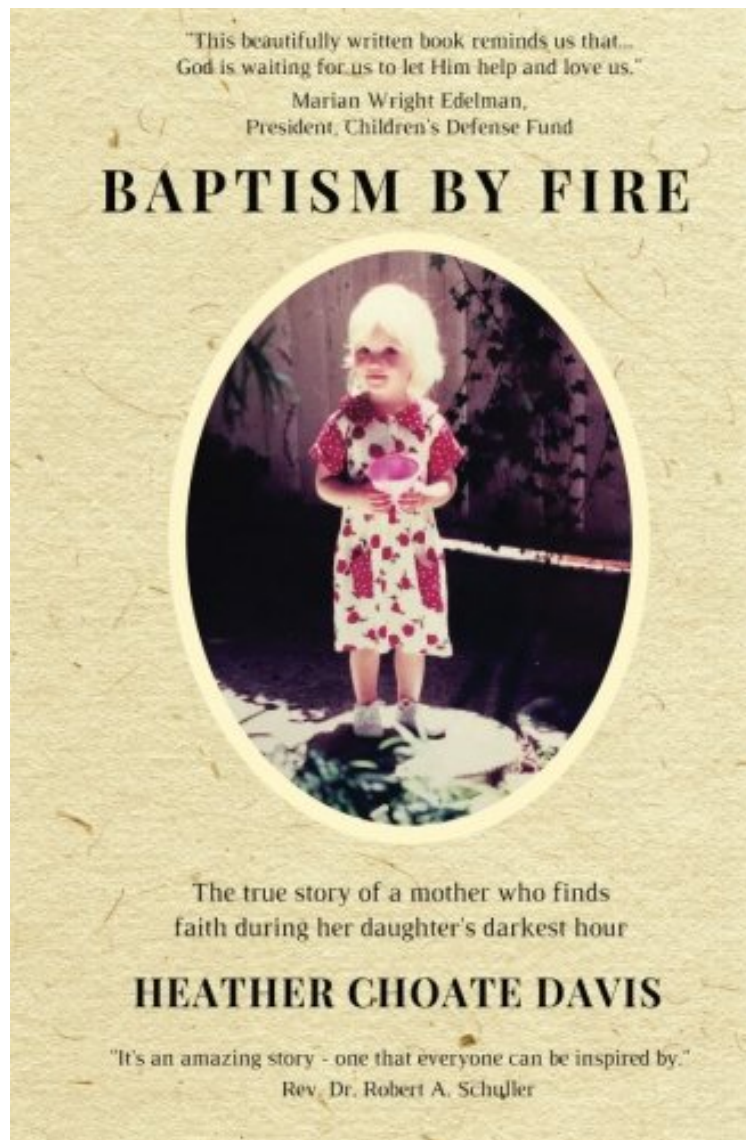


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Stirring, poignant, artfully written By Michael Heather Davis crafts her stories of life, struggle and faith in a masterful and moving way. The beauty of her writing is combined with a visceral, honest, and caring account of a remarkable journey with her precious daughter. The miracles are not cliché, and each step of this inspiring true story kept me on the edge of my seat. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Heartfelt Book By J. Riley Better than I expected. A well written book about what a mother feels when her child get ill. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Touching, gut wrenching By Mildred J Lambert My guess is that only a women's mind can keep up with this author's style of writing. But what a powerful, poignant story. And what a God we serve, who will reach us with His presence when no amount of persuasion would work.

Written with the high energy and taut focus of an episodic drama and the humor and grace of a master storyteller, this is the riveting true story of a young mother transformed by faith. Heather Davis and her husband, Lon, are blessed. They have a strong and loving marriage, a terrific four-year-old son, and a gorgeous new baby daughter named Remy. But one day, without warning, something goes terribly wrong. A seizure sends Remy to the emergency room, and from that moment, life as Heather knows it will never be the same it will be better. As agonizing days of uncertainty pass, Heather learns a number of powerful lessons. She comes to know the insight, grace, and compassion that strangers can offer; she discovers the depths of strength and courage within herself, her husband, and her son; and she learns what happens within us when we surrender and open ourselves to hope and the very real and benevolent effect of faith and prayer. "This is remarkable. Though Heather Choate Davis tells a story of genuine fear and distress, she never loses her capacity for startling humor most often at her own expense. She never sentimentalizes; she is always absolutely honest." Walt Wangerin, Jr., "The Book of God"

From Booklist Davis did not believe in God. She attended church as a child, but she and her husband, Lon, could not reconcile the hard-line teachings of their youth with their personal beliefs as adults. They had a strong marriage of 10 years, a healthy 4-year-old son, Graham, and a beautiful 9-month-old baby girl, Remy. One morning they found Remy in her crib having a seizure. The days and weeks following were filled with tests leading to one conclusion: Remy would have to have brain surgery. Why? Heather raged against the world. Throughout the harrowing ordeal, Heather and Lon received support from the local church they attended sporadically and the young pastor who helped them reconsider their views of the church. Davis' powerful stream-of-consciousness style plummets the reader to the depths of her despair and lifts them to the heights of her rapture. As the subtitle states, this is the true story of a mother who finds faith during her daughter's darkest hour, but it is so much more. Melanie Duncan "This beautifully written book reminds us that--God is waiting for us to let Him help and love us."--Marian Wright Edelman, President, The Children's Defense Fund "It's an amazing story--one that everyone can be inspired by."--Dr. Robert A. Schuller, The Hour of Power "This is the true story of a mother who finds faith during her daughter's darkest hour, but it is so much more." --Booklist "A narrative that dares to be a psalm in anguish, candor and faith."--Pastor Gerald Swanson, California Lutheran University "Impossible to put down, a detective story for the soul, a searing meditation on a mother's love, and utterly unforgettable."--James Dodson, author of Final Rounds and Faithful Travelers "An inspiring tale of faith and love."--New Orleans-Times Picayune From the Inside Flap Heather Davis and her husband are blessed. They have a strong and loving marriage, a terrific four-year-old son, and a gorgeous new baby daughter named Remy. But one day, without warning, something goes terribly wrong. Remy has a seizure and is rushed to the emergency room. From the moment they arrive at Santa Monica Hospital, life as Heather knows it will never be the same. This is the remarkable story of how one young mother found the courage to face the terrifying ordeal of her baby girl with grace and an initially reluctant awareness that power greater than herself would see her through. It's a lesson about what happens to us when we open ourselves to the very real healing powers of faith and prayer. Baptism By Fire is Heather Davis's story of finding a renewed sense of the beauty and meaning of life during an undeniably dark hour.