

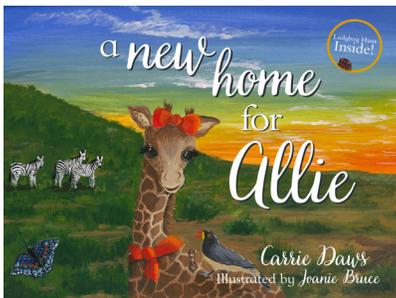


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ILLUSTRATED BOOK SHOWCASES THE DIFFICULTY CHILDREN CAN FACE DURING RELOCATION



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For immediate release: In her new book *A New Home for Allie* (Ambassador International: April 20, 2018, \$17.99) Carrie Daws presents Allie, a young giraffe who is preparing to leave her home in Kenya for a new home in Somalia because of her dad's reassignment from the Animal Jungle Patrol. Allie faces the fears that most children do when moving. Will I like my new home? Will I make new friends? Will I miss my old home?

Being from a military family herself, Daws understands how tough a move can be on children and wanted a book that would explain the reason behind the move, and give comfort in a time of change. *A New Home for Allie* is a wonderful resource for military children but can also be helpful for all children going through a relocation. Moving can be tough on children, military or not, and familial support makes all the difference. Through beautiful illustrations, *A New Home for Allie* shows children that a new chapter in their life can be a good thing.

About the Author: Over the years, God rewrote Carrie's dream to include being a stay-at-home mom and a writer. Originally writing devotions to share what she learned with women, Carrie decided to enroll in the Christian Writer's Guild. While there, seeds were planted and cultivated.

After almost ten years in the military, Carrie's husband medically retired, and they now live in North Carolina with their children. She stays busy homeschooling, keeping up with family and friends, and working on her next book.

To connect with the author or request a review copy of *A New Home for Allie*, please contact publicity director Keli Garrett at media@emeraldhouse.com.

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Endorsements:

This sweet and heart-touching lovely picture book has a bibliotherapy aspect, too, for children who face relocation. Highly recommend.
Carrie Fancett Pagels, Ph.D., Award-winning and ECPA bestselling author

Moving is never easy for a child but it is so much harder for military kids. I live close to an air force base and every spring houses go up for sale and families move. *A New Home for Allie* is a sweet story that can help a child with the fear of leaving behind everything you know for a new adventure.

Diana Lesire Brandmeyer, CBA best-selling author of *Mind of Her Own*

As a 47-year military spouse, I'm so familiar with the angst of Dad receiving orders to move to another location and the effect this news has on the entire family - including pets! Carrie does a superb job of bringing the reader right into the story by sharing the many questions Allie has for her parents about their new home, and what it's like in comparison to the only home she's ever known up to this point. . . . this book is deep in meaningful life lessons for all of us - young and old alike - about change and the personal growth that occurs when we open our minds and hearts and move outside our comfort zone.

Dr. Dorothy Guy Bonvillain, Founder & CEO, Warrior Wives Academy, LLC

Author Carrie Daws has given us a gift with *A New Home for Allie*. The characters are engaging and the illustrations beautiful. Moving to a new place can be difficult for children, especially those with a parent in the military. This book presents the process in a positive and encouraging manner. Definitely a book I'm adding to resources I recommend.

Eddie Melson, award-winning author

With lush illustrations and a heartfelt story, *A New Home for Allie* is sure to ease the transitioning child. A wonderful tool for parents and caregivers. Kids and adults alike will savor each beautiful page.

Jocelyn Green, author of *Faith Deployed: Daily Encouragement for Military Wives*

A New Home for Allie strikes a chord for constantly-relocating military families and is a must-have for any child's library! Allie works through the process of parting with old friends, embarks on a journey through unfamiliar lands, arrives at her new home with an open mind, and is rewarded with a new friendship. Though it sounds like a simple process, adjusting after a move is an immense emotional strain and impacts the whole family - especially little ones. Carrie Daws is able to capture the fears, concerns, and insecurities children face before and during a move, and offers an identifiable character for them to relate to during their transition. Allie's acceptance, trust in her parents, and positive outlook are key components to her successful transition. And, if we could only have classrooms full of Maribelles to welcome newcomers, the world would truly be a better place!"

Kellie Artis, Director of Communications, MILLIE - Bringing Military Families Home

A New Home for Allie is a beautifully illustrated book that military kids can connect with. . . . The book illustrates the fear and trepidation that many military children feel when they have to uproot and move to an unknown area. . . . This book serves as an excellent tool to discuss upcoming moves for not only military kids, but civilian children as well.

Kristine Schellhaas, author of *15 Years of War*

A New Home for Allie is a delightful picture book for children encountering a big life change. . . . *A New Home for Allie* is a lovely book and will make a very nice addition to the library of any family, but particularly well-suited to those in military families.

Kate Kessler, Product Reviews Director, The Old Schoolhouse Magazine, LLC

What a fun story! I wasn't ready for it to end. I hope to go on more adventures with Allie and the Animal Patrol in the future.

Patricia Beal, author of *A Season to Dance* and mom of two Army Brats

As always, Joanie Bruce shows brilliant capability in this elegantly painted and beautifully rich pictorial story. A tale of a far away place with waterfalls, rivers that glisten, bursting and warm sunny skies, and gorgeous vistas, so very different from where most of us live. Yet her precious characters' faces, with kind eyes, make this place feel somehow familiar. Joanie honored this deeply profound story with every paint stroke. All of it put together is . . . sublime.

Lindy Burnett, Award-winning Illustrator and Artist

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With a specialty in portraiture, Joanie Bruce uses such media as oils, acrylics, pastel, graphite, charcoal, and clay to create commissioned pieces as well as creative landscapes, animals, and still life using a realistic approach to art. Her body of work includes over 150 commissioned portraits in various media as well as numerous landscapes and is found in private homes as well as corporate offices.

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