

Press Release

Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven?—Helping Young Children Understand Death and Heaven

Helping a child understand the death of a parent, close relative or friend is an extremely daunting task. However, author Chiquita Lockley attempts to make this task a little less difficult with the release of her second book, *Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven?*

Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven? is the story of Maggie, a precocious five year old, who is striving to comprehend what happens when people die and go to heaven. Her mom answers her BIG question through festive and colorful imagery that paints a picture of heaven for little Maggie.

Lockley penned *Maggie Tales*, her first children's book, after losing a young child close to her. While struggling to understand the unexpected death of her loved one, she noticed that the child's cousin was struggling to understand the entire concept of death. Designed to be a comforting conversation starter for children ages four through ten, *Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven?* will give parents, teachers, counselors, and adults a platform by which to engage in this difficult conversation.

Released on October 3rd, *Maggie Tales* is currently available at Amazon.com. More information is available at TheMaggieTales.com.

For interviews, book reviews, media inquires and appearances, please contact Stacy Ross at press@TheMaggieTales.com.

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Chiquita Lockley

Biography



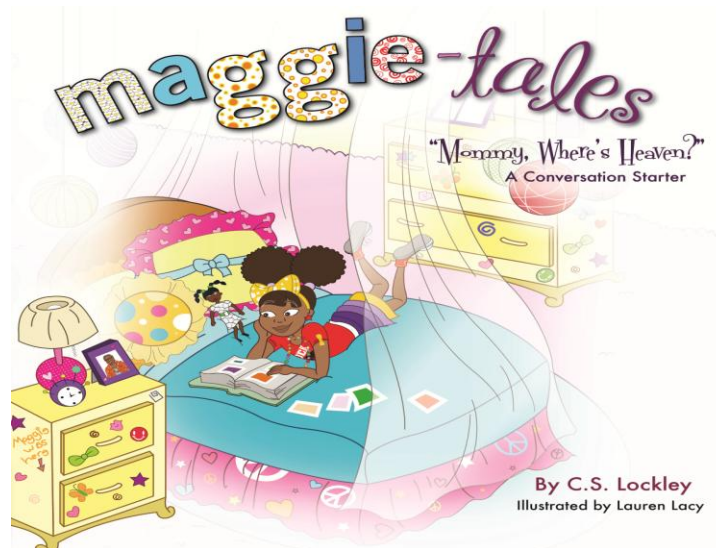
After witnessing firsthand the difficulty children have understanding and accepting death, **Chiquita Lockley** has written *Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven*. While *Maggie Tales* is Lockley's first children's book, it is her second release. Her first, *V is for Virgin*, was published in 2005.

Lockley's books are an extension of the life of service she has always lived. Upon earning her Bachelor of Arts in English from **Spelman College** and her Master of Arts in Film Studies from **Emory University**, Lockley went on to serve as the director of a celebrity charity geared towards enhancing the lives of youth. In this capacity, she implemented programs and events benefiting the **Atlanta Union Mission, Boys and Girls Club, United Way** and **Hosea Feed the Hungry**. Her time and expertise have also been shared with other charitable organizations including **Hands on Atlanta,**

Habitat for Humanity, Project Destiny and her sorority, **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.** Lockley's level of service and commitment to others prompted former Georgia Secretary of State, Cathy Cox, to recognize her as a **Georgia Goodwill Ambassador**.

Lockley resides in Atlanta, Ga., where she freelances as a Film & TV Producer, in addition to serving as Creative Director of Impact Church.

Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven?



What do you do when a young child loses a parent, relative or close friend? How do you explain the concepts of death and heaven to them? How can you help them gain comfort and understanding during this difficult time in their lives? Journey with Maggie and her mom as they explore the ideals of heaven and the *Circle Of Life*.



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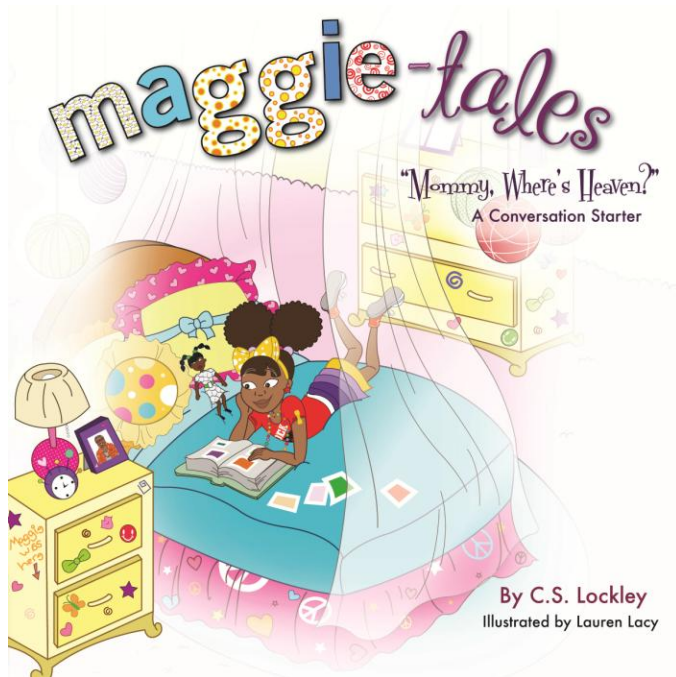
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What People Are Saying About *Maggie Tales: Mommy, Where's Heaven?*



"This book was a huge hit with both me and my kids from the moment we saw the cover. My three year old daughter was extremely excited to see a book character that she could relate to in order to form a personal connection. The book provided a strong foundation to start a conversation on a very sensitive subject that is difficult for many parents. The story, the graphics and the subject matter were all amazing. Definitely a winner in my household! We can't wait for future editions of *Maggie Tales*."

--Tanya James, Author of *Coffee Moments: A Work In Progress*, StreamingFaith.com
Contributor, Mother of Two

"OMG, that's me when I was a kid!!!"

--Kendall James, Age 3

"This is a great conversation starter. It is written from a child's perspective and illustrated the same, drawing attention to the young minds. Much luck and success on your first edition."

--Althea Pringle, Corporate/Clerk of the House, *National Funeral Directors & Morticians Association, Inc.*

"*Mommy, Where's Heaven?* is absolutely breathtaking! Never have I read a book that opens up heaven in such an understandable way for children. This book provides a vivid story that captures the reader (both child and adult). And the illustrations really bring this "heaven" experience to life. What a wonderful way to begin this conversation with your child!"

--Zenobia Story, 5th Grade Teacher

"Receiving my copy of *Maggie Tales* in the mail was literally like opening up a gift from heaven! From the eye-catching illustrations that captivated my two & four year-old daughters, to the beautifully written explanation of heaven, I almost wanted to keep the book just for me. But my daughters would not have it! Since their first encounter with this story, *Maggie Tales* has become our nightly routine. Thank you for penning this story in a way that it helps me teach this concept to my girls."

--Robin May, Mental Health Therapist, Mother of Two