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Beverly Lewis' wonderful picture book for families, Annika's Secret Wish, is now reissued with an audio CD for read-along or listen-only pleasure. Evie's roots contribute to the authenticity and warmth with which she narrates the story, including additional thoughts and feelings from Annika's own perspective suggested by the artwork on each page. Music and sound effects will pique the imaginations of young and old alike. This picture book with CD makes a cherished gift for families with children of all ages and will be enjoyed long after the Christmas season. The audio format is a great tool for early readers.

Annika's Secret Wish Details

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Hannah Joy S. says

What a nostalgic read! I used to listen and read along to this book with the CD. I have many memories of this book and adore it! When I read it now I can still hear the voice of the narrator in my head. Beautiful book, sweet story, meaningful Christmas message!

Kathryn says

The Scandinavian story of the almond in the rice pudding eaten on Christmas day is good in itself and the illustrations of Pamela Querin makes the book exquisite.

Rosa Cline says

This is a very endearing Holiday story that would be great to add to your yearly holiday reading. Don't have to be a child to enjoy it or the lesson that Ms Lewis instills in the book! Illustrations are wonderful as well...they tell the story almost without the words of course together make one really good Christmas story.

Luisa Knight says

This sentimental story is a must read for Christmas. Full of warmth, Swedish tradition, family devotion, and Christ-like love, this profound tale will captivate your hearts with its lush illustrations and meaningful message.

Read this one out loud with the family!

Ages: 5 - 9

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Crissy says

Very cute story that explains a family's Christmas traditions. Not only is it the family tradition but actually

the tradition of the author's husband.

Kathy says

It is more blessed to give than to receive. Beautifully illustrated story that shares the beauty and power of those nine words. Every child in Sweden wants to find the almond in their bowl of rice pudding on Christmas Eve and be able to make a special Christmas wish. For ten long years--all of her life--Annika has dreamed of discovering the almond in her own pudding. Will this be her year?

Amanda Fox says

My grandmother gave this book to me when I was a little girl, and it was everything I wish I had had growing up! A truly wonderful and heartwarming book!

Kathleen says

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Jennybug says

This book shares the swedish tradition of hiding an almond in the rice pudding. This is a wonderful Christmas story. "She knew that the almond could bring smiles and laughter, but only God could make a miracle." I loved this quote. The art work is beautiful.

Bill says

Fun read aloud. Good lesson in giving to others. However, it makes it sound like God only answers the prayer of the one with the almond.

Laura says

The illustrations by Pamela Querin are intricate and enticing - placing this story on my yearly Christmas reading list.

Shellie says

I read this to my children as part of our Christmas reading during morning time.

The illustrations were beautiful. We enjoyed learning the Scandinavian Christmas traditions as the author weaved them within the context of a sweet story.

Definitely a memorable book. I appreciated the author's biblical perspective.

Brianne Larson says

This book reflected and embraced my Swedish heritage. But, even more than that, it taught that love sometimes requires sacrifices. This book is warm, and inviting, and the story draws you in and makes you feel for the characters. I would love to read this book to my classroom one day. Maybe I would use it in a unit that teaches how different cultures celebrate Christmas, or maybe I would use it to teach my students about what it means to really love someone. This is one of my favorite children's books and I would recommend it to any parent or teacher .

McKinley says

Nice message for siblings at Christmas time. Lovely illustrations.

Similar Christmas picture books : The Gift of the Christmas Cookie by Dandi Daley Mackall; An Orange for Frankie by Patricia Polacco; Christmas Day in the Morning by Pearl S. Buck; Annikas Secret Wish by Beverly Lewis; The Christmas Miracle Of Jonathan Toomey by Susan Wojciechowski; A Christmas Dress for Ellen by Thomas S. Monson; The Story of Holly and Ivy by Rumer Godden; and Rosa by Leo Politi.

Hannah Joy S. says

I love this book sooooo sooooo much! It brings back memories of when I was younger and it's such a lovely story.

A must read! The illustrations are gorgeous and the writing is so nice.
