

"No Matter Where I Go" by Jessica Mathisen Publication Date: May 27, 2025 Media Contact: marissa.sullivan@lifeway.com

'No Matter Where I Go: God's Love for Kids in Foster Care'

BRENTWOOD, Tenn., April 15, 2025 — Children in foster care face uncertainty and emotional upheaval. But through the words and actions of others, they can discover they are never alone in their sadness or fear. God's love is always there.



"<u>No Matter Where I Go</u>," the first children's book from podcast host and published author Jessica Mathisen, reflects the experiences of the more than 400,000 children in the foster care system at any given time. Designed for children ages 4-8, this book follows the story of one girl who, when placed in foster care, asks hard questions about God.

Through this heartfelt story, released by <u>B&H Publishing Group</u> in May, kids will learn God's love is unwavering and everpresent, even in the most difficult times.

This book is a powerful resource for children in foster care, foster care families, churches, and anyone seeking to understand and empathize with the experiences of foster children.

"No Matter Where I Go" reinforces the idea children are valued and cared for—no matter where they are.



ABOUT JESSICA MATHISEN

Jessica is a former elementary school teacher and a foster, adoptive, and bio mom whose passion is to communicate God's love to others through words and relationships. Her greatest joy is helping people know and love God's Word. She lives just outside of Atlanta, Georgia, with her husband and three kids. You can get to know her at jessicamathisen.com, on Instagram @jessicamathisen, or through her podcast, The Fullness of Joy.

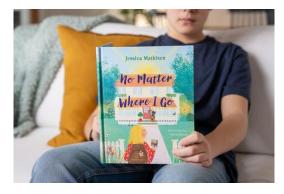
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TALKING POINTS AND INTERVIEW ANGLES

- Jessica's experience as a foster and adoptive mom
- The emotional impact of foster care on children
- Creating empathy and understanding among children for their peers in foster care
- The power of story when teaching children
- The role of books in supporting foster families
- The role of foster families and support networks
- How God's presence and love may look different at different times



POSSIBLE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- What compelled you to write a book about the experiences of children in foster care?
- How do you envision your book being used by foster families and support networks?
- What age kids will benefit from reading "No Matter Where I Go"?
- Why is it crucial for people to understand the experiences of children in foster care?
- What is something you wish churches understood about foster care?
- What are some misconceptions about children in foster care that you hope to dispel?
- How can communities and churches better support foster families and children?
- What are some of the biggest challenges for foster families, and how can churches help?
- What advice would you give prospective foster parents?
- What impact do you hope your book will have on the foster care community?

MEDIA REQUESTS

Please direct requests to Marissa Sullivan who can provide high-resolution images and other media assets and discuss interview availability, excerpts and other content ideas. She can be reached at Marissa.sullivan@lifeway.com or 615.933.5996.

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