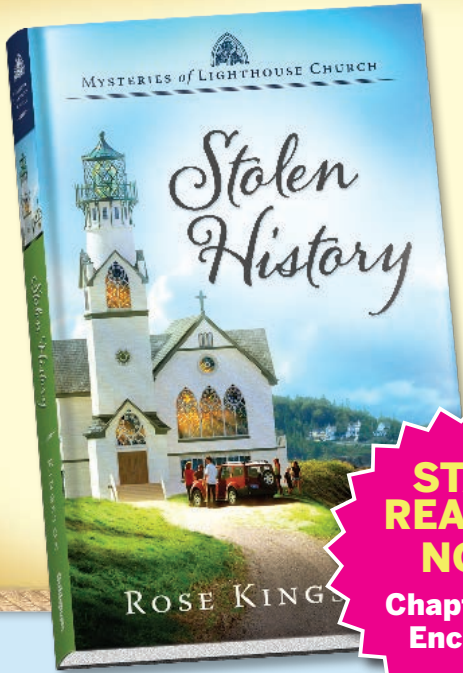


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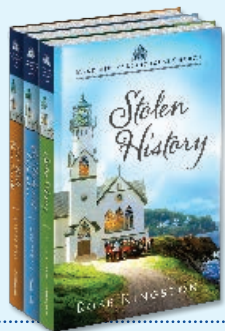
The town of Avalon, Oregon seems idyllic. Built on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean, its colorful Victorian homes shine like jewels in the mist, and the charming boutiques and dazzling restaurants that line its streets welcome locals and visitors alike. Richard Pierce and his family arrive at this warm and welcoming place to take over the ministry of Lighthouse Church. This beacon to both seekers of God and those seeking safe passage on the ocean waters was originally built by Richard's distant relative, Ezra — a notorious sea captain who came to his faith after an accident nearly ended his life. Now, as the past meets the present in Avalon, a series of events will unfold that will test Richard's new ministry, his librarian wife's sleuthing skills and the very fabric of the town's history. And you'll be there every step of the way!



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When former police officer Richard Pierce begins his first pastorate at Lighthouse Church in the misty Oregon coastal town of Avalon, he's thrilled—especially since the church was founded by his ancestor, the sea captain Captain Ezra Pierce, after a miraculous rescue at sea changed his life. Richard is eager to explore his family history, but when he brings his wife and family to the lighthouse, they discover that both a portrait of Ezra AND the church's register have been stolen.

You'll be thrilled as *Stolen History* envelops you with two stories in one. It's a story that takes place in present-day Avalon where Richard seeks answers to the missing book and painting from the 1800's while revealing even more questions about his past.

The Adventure Continues!

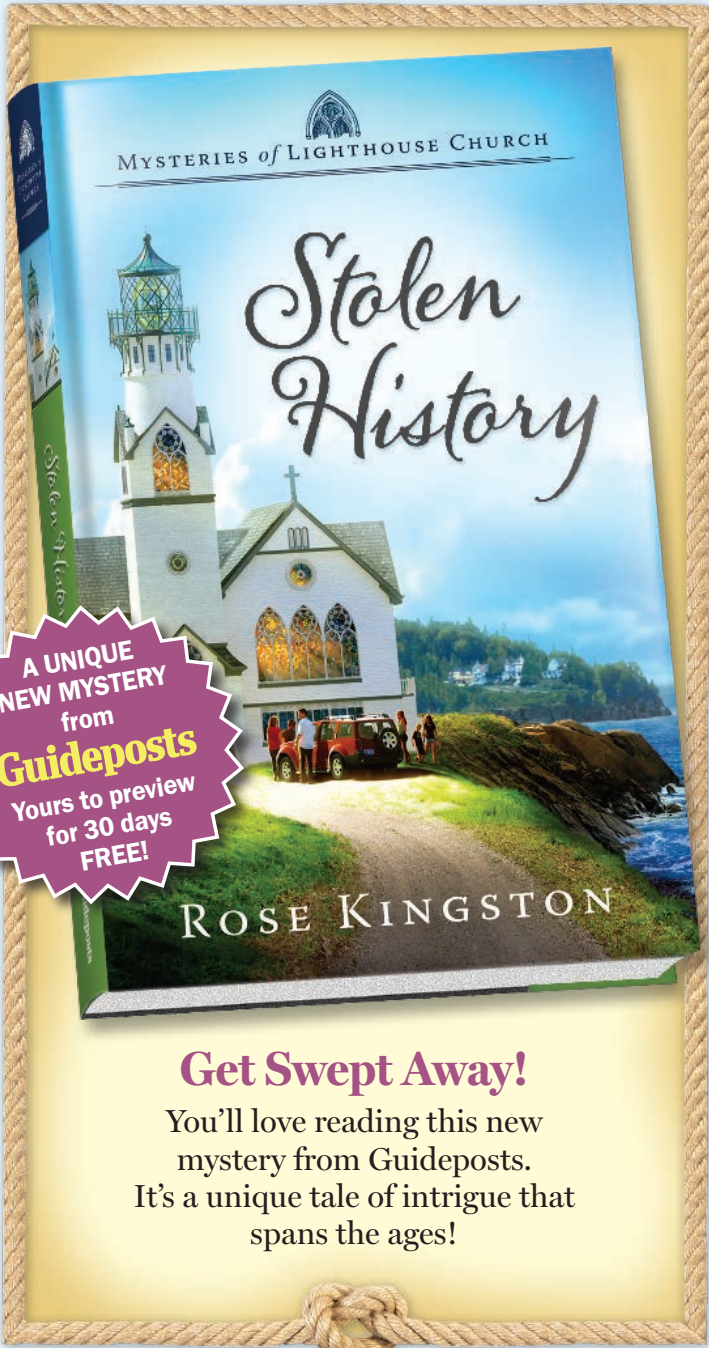
We think you'll find *Stolen History* so gripping that you won't want the story to end. Fortunately, it won't have to!

The tale continues in ... *An Unpleasant Implication*

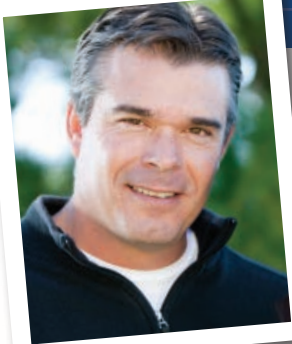
During the plans for the church's 175th anniversary exhibition, a parishioner brings an old newspaper clipping implying that Ezra Pierce might have covered up a terrible crime as pastor. Can Richard's research uncover the truth and exonerate the founder of Lighthouse Church? Meanwhile, Ricky and Chloe get into trouble exploring at the beach and are helped by a mysterious boy who really seems to be the one who needs help. What do the kids find out about this boy and his family?

Followed by ... *The Walls Have Secrets*

When the kids report hearing strange noises in the parsonage walls, Richard and Megan begin to joke that the house has a ghost. Richard investigates, and his discovery leads to information that could shed light on his family history—or make it even more cryptic. Meanwhile, Richard's pastoral credibility is called into question when a parishioner reports that he allegedly revealed his secret. Can friend and police detective, Darius help him fix the situation before it gets out of hand?



MEET YOUR NEW FRIENDS IN AVALON



Richard Pierce: 40-years-old, handsome and tall, Richard was a police officer until he heard God's call and attended the seminary. Richard has a warm heart and a curious, analytical mind, and he uses both to serve the people of Lighthouse Church—his first ministry.



Paula Birch: Paula is 62 and has directed the choirs at Lighthouse Church for as long as most can remember. Paula has a no-nonsense demeanor that hides the kindest spirit in Avalon, and she becomes like a second mom to Megan as she helps the whole family settle into their new home.

Megan Pierce: 35-year-old Megan is Richard's wife and a mom to four. She also manages to find time to work at the Avalon Public Library as the children's librarian which gives her the invaluable research skills needed to help solve the mysteries that swirl around Avalon.



The Pierce Kids: Almost 14, Madison is the Pierce's oldest child and is testing the waters of independence; Ricky just turned 10 and looks a lot like a miniature version of his dad; at nine years old, strawberry-blonde Chloe loves being big sister to little Spence after having been the baby of the family; and six-year-old Spence entertains the people of Lighthouse Church with his whimsical antics and the precocious, humorous things he says.



Darius Whitlock: Darius, 56, is a detective in the Avalon police department. A big man with a big heart and a strong prayer life, Darius knows the people of Avalon as well as anyone. Richard frequently turns to him for advice and help.

EZRA PIERCE

Sea Captain and ancestor to Richard, Ezra founded both Avalon and Lighthouse Church after a frightening brush with death led to his conversion in the early 1800s. The generations of Pierces that followed Ezra often strayed from his faith, so the family history is full of secrets and intrigue.



Send for your **FREE**
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As you go deeper and deeper into the mysteries and secrets of **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**, you'll see how things come full circle with God's plan for Richard to step into the pulpit of Lighthouse Church.

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If you enjoy getting to know Ezra and all of the Pierces—along with their breathtaking adventures—keep the book and simply pay the low Guideposts price of just \$13.95 plus shipping and processing. Then, every 4 to 6 weeks, you'll receive another great book from the **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church** series at the same low price and with the same 30-day free preview. If you are not completely satisfied, you may return any book within 30 days and owe nothing. The FREE tote bag is yours to keep no matter what you decide. So send for your 30-day FREE preview today!

I hope you'll try this new series. We've lovingly created something special and I'm sure it will sweep you away with its unique tale of both historical and modern-day intrigue. But don't take my word for it—give it a try! I've enclosed the first chapter for you to enjoy right now ...

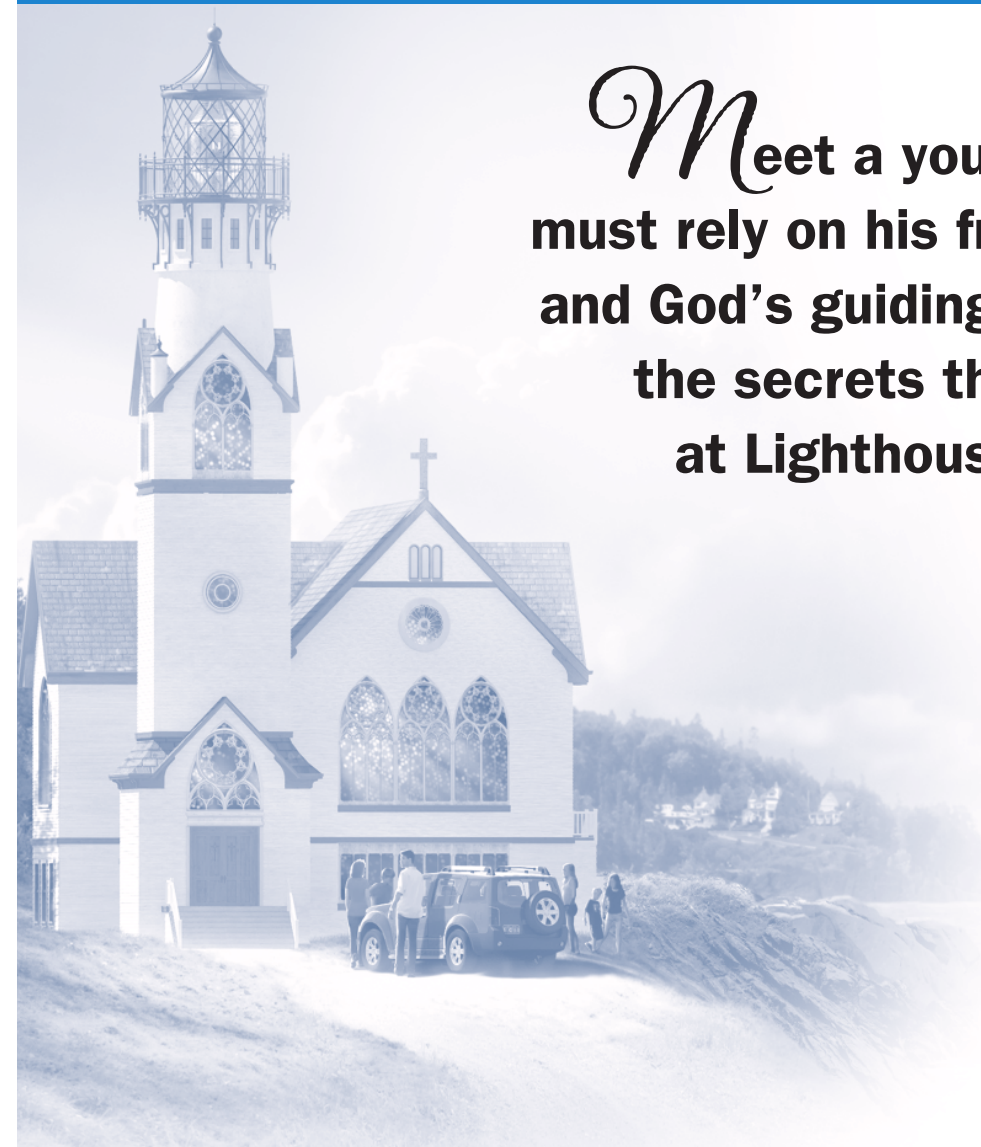
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and God's guiding hand to unravel
the secrets that await him
at Lighthouse Church...

A brand-new
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Dear Guideposts Friend,

If you're like me, there are a few "must haves" in the perfect mystery novel: intrigue, likable characters, a great setting, a healthy dose of history and the kind of values that I can connect to. That's exactly why I'm recommending you take a peek at Guideposts' intriguing new series, **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**.

You'll be able to tell from the very pages what a captivating novel this is—which is exactly why we've enclosed the first chapter for you to read now.

You'll feel the cares of your day slip away as you travel with Richard Pierce and his family to the misty, craggy Oregon coast where he's about to begin a new life as pastor of the Lighthouse Church. This beacon of faith and a guide for sailors was built 175 years ago by Richard's ancestor Ezra Pierce, a sea captain with a shadowy past who came to God after an event that almost took his life.

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As Richard, his wife Megan and his four kids arrive in the cozy, charming town of Avalon, you'll meet the helpful townspeople and share the excitement of starting a new life.

THE INTRIGUE BEGINS WITH **STOLEN HISTORY**

Immediately the Pierces are taken with Avalon's quaint shops, Victorian houses with their generous front porches and—most of all—the view from Lighthouse Church, which sits atop a bluff with dazzling vistas of the Pacific Ocean.

But when Richard arrives at his new church, a portrait of his great-grandfather Ezra and the valuable church register are both missing, and it becomes clear someone doesn't want him there.

LOOK INTO THE PAST TO UNDERSTAND THE FUTURE

Who would have stolen these objects—and from a church nonetheless? What secrets might have been hidden in the painting or in the pages of the historic register?

You'll begin finding out as you learn the story of Ezra Pierce, a man who led a rough-and-tumble sea captain's life in the early 1800s until God's light fell on him like a beacon from the lighthouse he eventually built. Even though Ezra amended his ways, he still had secrets that burdened him. You will soon learn that these secrets impact his distant relatives—Richard, Megan and their children.

You're sure to keep turning page after page as *Stolen History* intrigues you with a bit of history from Ezra's life in America's early seafaring days, while connecting that history to the Pierces' present-day life in Avalon!

MEET A CARING, FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY

As Richard uses his police skills and Megan draws on her research skills as a librarian, they realize that they'll need all the help they can get. Fortunately, they have two long-time Avalon residents on their side:

Darius Whitlock. A big bear of man with a strong prayer life, Detective Darius relies on his sharp wits, and guidance from above to help him keep Avalon safe. He and Richard become fast friends.

Paula Birch. A fixture as Lighthouse Church's choir director, Paula instantly takes Megan under her wing, helping her navigate her new life as a pastor's wife and as the new children's librarian.

Plus you'll get to spend time with the Pierce kids—Madison, Richard Jr., Chloe

and Spence—who get involved in mysteries and discoveries of their own as they explore Avalon's rocky coastline and quaint downtown streets.

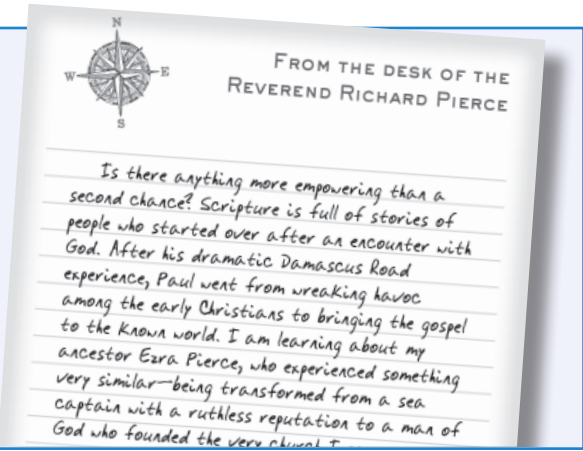
A UNIQUE STORY...A MUST READ!

When it comes to creating Guideposts fiction series, our editors carefully direct the writing of each novel, ensuring that they meet Guideposts readers' expectations. That's why we recommend you try **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**. It has the perfect blend of history, mystery and faith.

You'll experience life on the high seas in the 1800s as the tale of Ezra Pierce unfolds PLUS you'll accompany Richard in present-day Avalon as he unravels mysteries and helps his family settle into their new home.

Special BONUS Content!

To help you go deeper into the tales of the **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**, we'll include a devotional from Richard Pierce in the back of every book. It's a bonus that only the editors at Guideposts could put together—and only a true book-lover like you could appreciate!



IT DOESN'T HAVE TO END!

There's nothing like that bittersweet feeling you get when you're coming to the end of a great book. On the one hand, you're happy to find out how it all turns out, but on the other, you know you're going to miss the characters you've come to know so well.

Luckily, the story continues!

In *An Unpleasant Implication*, a newspaper clipping reveals a terrible crime that might have been covered up by Ezra and sends Richard on a quest to clear his ancestor's name.

And in *The Walls Have Secrets*, what started out as a strange noise in the wall of the church winds up revealing more information about the Pierces' past—some of it enlightening, and some downright puzzling.

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Dear Guideposts Friend,

Don't you just love getting a recommendation from a trusted friend who happens to like the same type of books you like? It not only makes selecting your next book a cinch, it pretty much ensures that you're going to embark on a great read.

In my circle of friends, if one of us likes a book, we make sure it's recommended to our entire circle of friends. This way we can share our favorite parts of the book with one another. It's funny how most of the time we all like the same things.

That's why I am personally recommending **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**. I've read the first book and so far it's one of the best Guideposts novels yet. I love the way it combines the past with the present with stories that will take you back in time in order to piece together the mystery. It's fascinating and the characters are so likeable that you can't help wanting to know more about them.

So you shouldn't have any hesitations in sending for your copy of *Stolen History*, especially since you can enjoy it for 30 days and then decide if you want to keep it and continue reading **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**. But I know this recommendation is one you're going to love because I just can't put down these books!

And just in case you need another good reason to treat yourself to a great read, just remember that Guideposts is a nonprofit organization and your purchase helps people all over the world through our many outreach programs. So now you have two great reasons to start reading **Mysteries of Lighthouse Church**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Britt". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lisa" and last name "Britt" clearly distinguishable.

Lisa Britt

Manager, Guideposts

P.S. Oh, and about that favor? If you enjoy *Stolen History* as much as I know you will, all I ask is that you tell a friend about it. Welcome to the circle!

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