



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact:

Emily Benz, Publicity & Marketing Manager Beaming Books 612-330-3117 | benze@beamingbooks.com

Sparkhouse Family, Children's Book Publisher, Renames as Beaming Books

Minneapolis (January 30, 2018) – Children's book publisher Sparkhouse Family has rebranded as Beaming Books. A business unit of 1517 Media, Sparkhouse Family was launched in 2014 as a publisher of Bibles and religious books for children. Under the new name, Beaming Books will publish high-quality books for children in both religious and non-religious categories.

"Beaming Books is dedicated to helping kids thrive socially, emotionally, and spiritually," says Andrew DeYoung, managing editor for the imprint. "We're looking to tackle a broad range of topics related to kids' social and emotional well-being, including kindness, ethics, self-esteem, and faith."

Forthcoming titles from Beaming books include Laura Renauld's *Porcupine's Pie*, a charming picture book about sharing and community spirit; Caryn Rivadeneira's Generous Kids series, which helps kids of all ages live with generosity and abundance; and Sarah Raymond Cunningham's *May God Bless You and Keep You*, a faith-inflected book of welcoming and encouragement for young children in the style of *The Wonderful Things You Will Be*.

The following previously-announced children's books and parenting titles will be published under the new Beaming Books imprint:

Porcupine's Pie by Laura Renauld (Fall 2018)
Little Steps, Big Faith by Dawn Rundman (Fall 2018)
Mine! by Caryn Rivadeneira (Fall 2018)
It's Not Fair! by Caryn Rivadeneira (Fall 2018)
The Wrong Shoes by Caryn Rivadeneira (Fall 2018)
Lift-the-Flap Bible Stories for Young Children by
Andrew J. DeYoung and Naomi Joy Krueger (Fall 2018)

The Very Best Story Ever Told by Robin Currie (Fall 2018)

May God Bless and Keep You by Sarah Raymond Cunningham (Fall 2018)

The Star in the Christmas Play by Lynne Marie (Fall 2018)

All the Best Questions by Jeremy Steele (Fall 2018) When Day Is Done by Natalee Creech (Spring 2019) The Fabulous World that God Made by Joyce K. Ellis (Spring 2019)

Antonino's Impossible Dream by Tim McGlen (Spring 2019)

God's Protection Covers Me by Amy Houts (Spring 2019)

Precious Baby by Della Ross Ferreri (Spring 2019) Huggle Wuggle Bedtime Snuggle by Della Ross Ferreri (Fall 2019)

All book titles previously released by Sparkhouse Family will remain in print and available. All titles set to publish in Spring 2018 will be published under the Sparkhouse Family name.

(continued)





FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

About Beaming Books

Beaming Books publishes high-quality children's books that help kids thrive emotionally, socially, and spiritually. With topics ranging from self-esteem to kindness, ethics, and faith, our books are designed to spark the imagination and equip kids and families to live full and flourishing lives, together. More details about the award-winning books for children and Beaming Books can be found at www.beamingbooks.com.

About 1517 Media

1517 Media creates multimedia resources and distinctive books for Christian communities, students, scholars, and the general reader. 1517 Media's imprints include Augsburg Fortress, Fortress Press, Sparkhouse, and Beaming Books.

###