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A Book of Christmas Miracles Provides Holiday Happiness and Hope

The magic of these Chicken Soup for the Soul stories will renew your Christmas spirit

COS COB, Conn. – Gail Sellers had always wanted a big brother. Imagine her surprise when she learned she *had* one, a baby her parents had put up for adoption when they had him years before they got married. After losing her only child, Gail was facing a lonely Christmas Day. Her Christmas miracle was spending the holidays with her new family. Vincent Olson, a young veteran who couldn't afford a Christmas tree for his young son, experienced his own miracle when a fellow shopper at Target handed him \$100 after overhearing his conversation with his wife. And Cynthia McGonagle McGarity, a singing coach, was devastated when a medical condition took away her ability to sing, permanently. But when her church needed a substitute soloist on short notice at Christmastime, somehow her prayers were answered and she was able to sing "Ave Maria" for five nights in a row before losing her voice again.

Christmas *and* Miracles! Chicken Soup for the Soul unites two of its most popular topics in one volume, with 101 favorite holiday miracle stories selected from its past books. These 101 true, personal tales will help anyone get in the Christmas spirit, showcasing amazing examples of divine intervention, holiday angels, answered prayers, forgiveness, gratitude, random acts of kindness, the joy of giving, and family reunions.

***Chicken Soup for the Soul: A Book of Christmas Miracles* (Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC; Amy Newmark; October 17, 2017, 978-1-611599725, \$14.95)** shares miracles that happened during the rest of the holiday season, too, with stories about Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and New Year's. There's something for everyone in its pages, including precocious young readers, because Chicken Soup for the Soul works closely with Santa to keep the magic alive for everyone.

This book is one of four that Chicken Soup for the Soul earmarked in 2017 as fundraisers for specific nonprofit organizations. Royalties from this book will go to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program, which creates miracles for millions of families every year by providing holiday gifts to children in the U.S. who might not otherwise receive any. The other Chicken Soup for the Soul books published in 2017 that have supported specific nonprofits are *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Military Families*, which raises funds for the USO, and a pair of books that support American Humane—*Chicken Soup for the Soul: The Cat Really Did That?* and *Chicken Soup for the Soul: The Dog Really Did That?*

ABOUT CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL

Chicken Soup for the Soul, the world's favorite and most recognized storyteller, publishes the famous *Chicken Soup for the Soul* book series. With well over 100 million books sold to date in the U.S. and Canada alone, more than 250 titles, and translations into more than 40 languages, "chicken soup for the soul" is one of the world's best-known phrases and is regularly referenced in pop culture. Today, 24 years after it first began sharing happiness, inspiration and hope through its books, this socially conscious company continues to publish a new title a month, but has also evolved beyond the bookstore with super premium pet food, television shows, podcasts, positive journalism from aplus.com, education programs, and licensed products, all revolving around true stories, as the company continues "changing the world one story at a time®."

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