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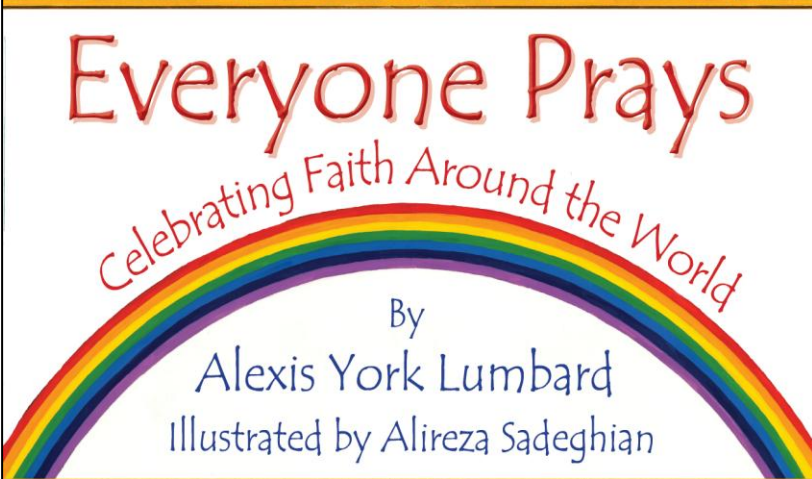
Celebrating Faith Around the World

By Alexis York Lumbard

Illustrated by Alireza Sadeghian



“Christians, Jews, and Muslims all pray. So do Hindus and Buddhists. Many others pray too.” So begins *Everyone Prays*, a bright and colorful concept book celebrating the diverse ways that people pray. In a vibrant yet accessible manner, young readers are transported on a visual tour across the globe. They will discover the Native American sun dance ceremony, visit the sacred sites in Jerusalem, behold the Shinto shrines in Japan, watch Maasai dances in Kenya, see pilgrimages to the river Ganges in India, and much, much more.



With an appendix to help answer questions children might have, *Everyone Prays* offers young hearts and minds a chance to learn that although people from other places and cultures may seem different, we all share the diverse world of faith and prayer. And what a bright and beautiful world it is!

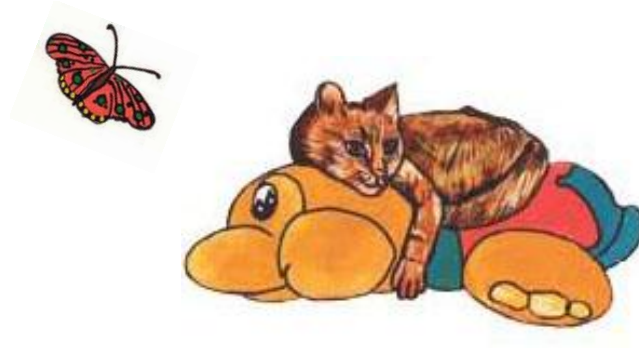


This Book Features:

- ❖ 26 stunning pages of religious scenes from around the world, brought to life by award-winning illustrator Alireza Sadeghian
 - ❖ Helpful explanatory notes on the world’s religions by award-winning author Alexis York Lumbard
- ❖ Informative appendix on each of the scenes in the illustrations, explaining their significance for the religion being depicted to assist adults in answering any questions their children may have.

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- ❖ Trim Size: 8.75x11.00
- ❖ Page Count: 28 hardback
- ❖ Ages: 4-8



Praise for *Everyone Prays*

“The single most important thing we can teach our children today is the value of prayer. In *Everyone Prays*, young readers learn that in religions across the globe, prayer remains a constant and important feature of daily life. With its stunning illustrations and helpful appendix of supplementary notes on the world’s religions, this is an ideal book to introduce young children to the diverse world of faith and prayer.”

—**Michael Oren Fitzgerald**, editor of *Children of the Tipi: Life in the Buffalo Days*

“*Everyone Prays* presents ways that prayer is practiced in a variety of faith communities. The text and illustrations present specific aspects of prayer, such as places for and postures of prayer. *Everyone Prays* invites young children to notice that, although there are many religions, praying is at the heart of every faith. This picture book will generate conversations between children and adults and will be a good addition to the bookshelves of homes, libraries, and places of worship.”

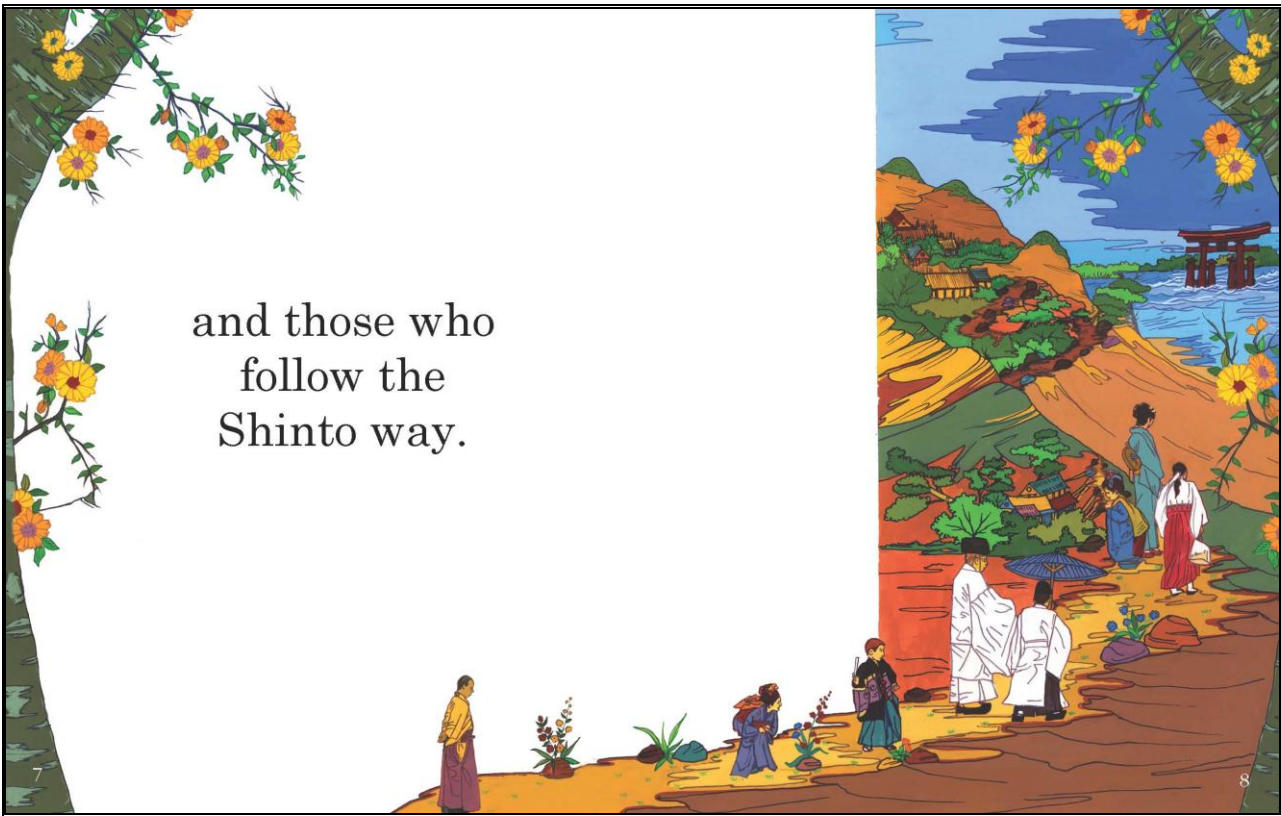
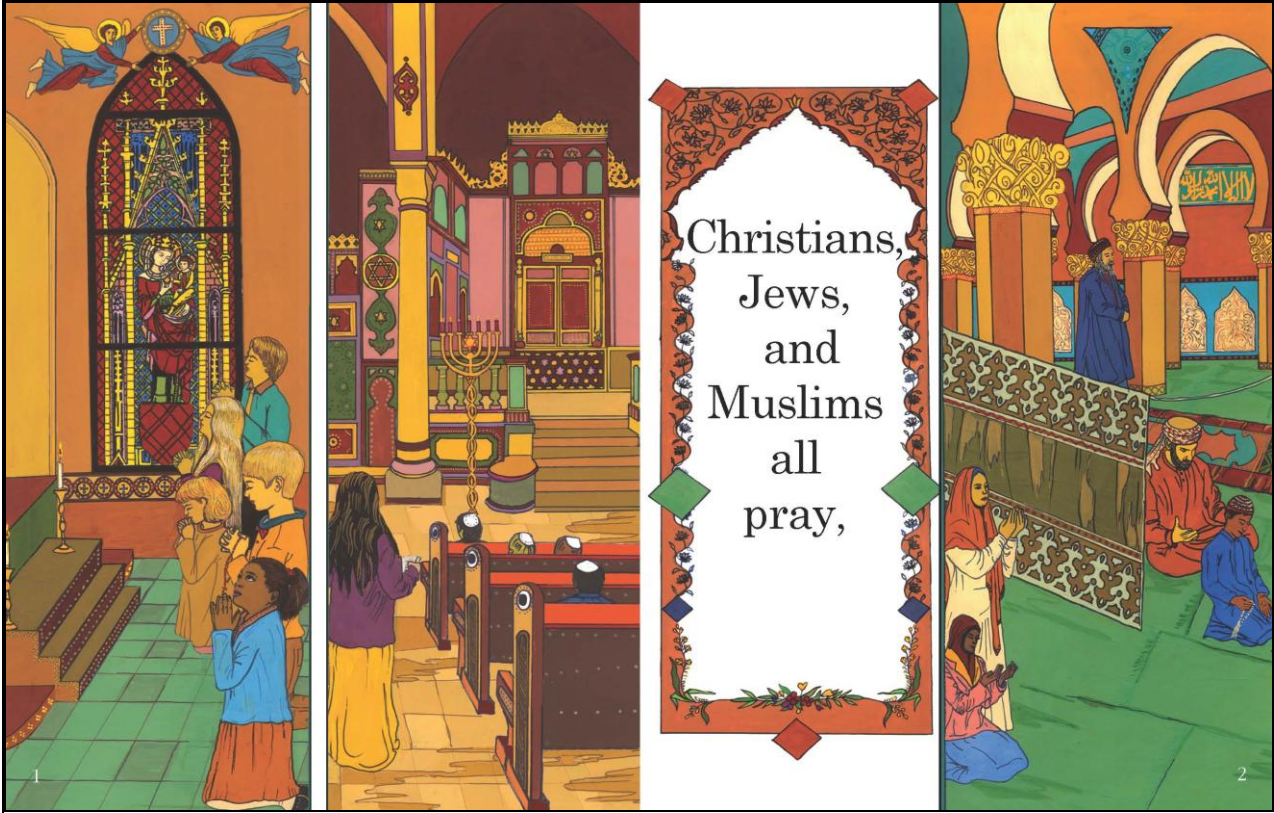
—**Daryl L. Mark**, retired Coordinator of Children’s Services, Cambridge Public Library

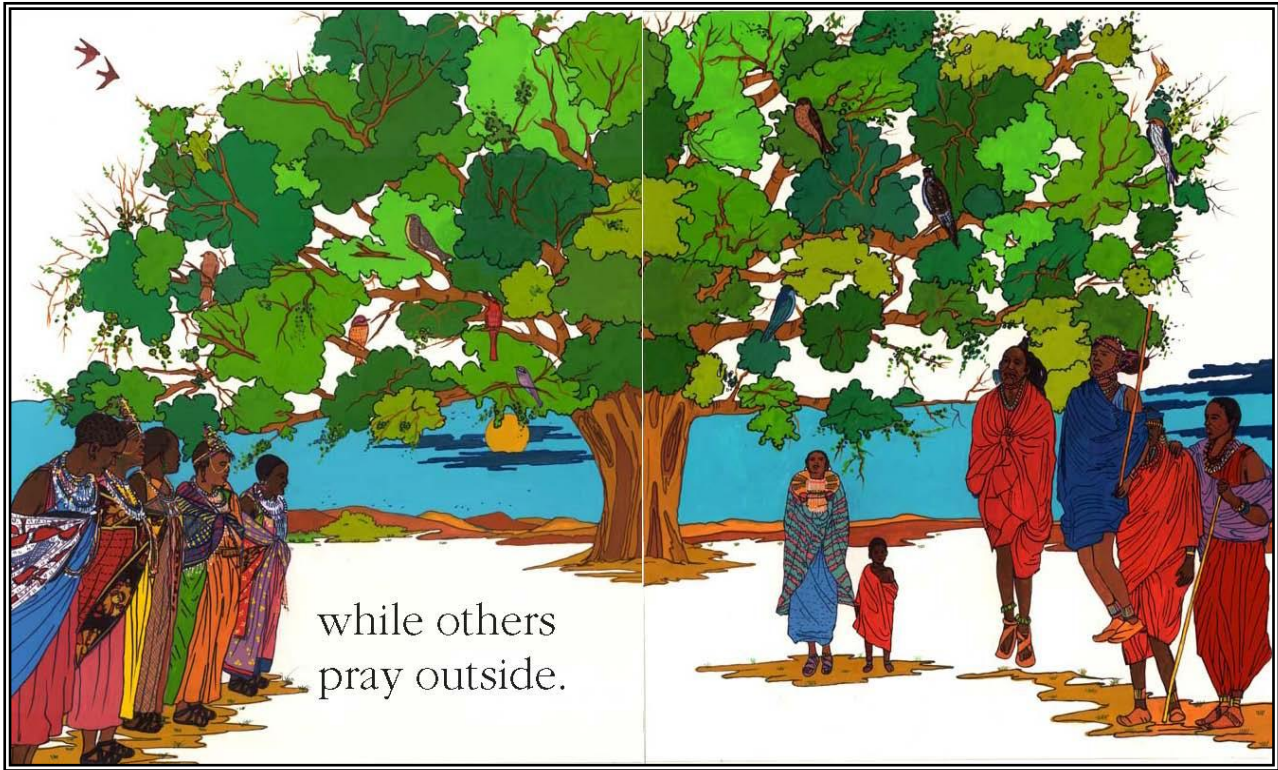
“One of the imperatives in our world today is to educate young people to appreciate different religious faiths. Alexis Lumbard has therefore done us a great service by writing a beautiful and captivating book to teach young children about the wonderful variety of prayer rituals in various religions. It provides a message that all parents should want to impart to their children.”

—**Dr. Rob Eisen**, Department Chair of Religion, George Washington University

“Lumbard beautifully expresses the diversity of praying to young hearts. She takes the reader on a journey around the globe through vivid illustrations.”

—**Shaheen Akhtar**, Interfaith Liaison for Muslim Community-At-Large, Boston





About the Author & Illustrator

Alexis York Lumbard is the author of the *award-winning* book, *The Conference of the Birds* (illustrated by Demi). Her second book, *Angels* (illustrated by Flavia Weedn) was released in Fall 2013. A busy mother of three daughters, she was motivated to write by her children, and the desire to create high quality stories to inspire young hearts and minds. She lives in Natick, MA.



Alireza Sadeghian is an *award-winning* children's book illustrator and professional artist. In addition to his design and illustration work, he has also taught art to young children. His first book to be published in the US was the critically acclaimed *The Knight, the Princess & the Magic Rock* (Wisdom Tales, 2012). He lives in Isfahan, Iran with his wife and two children.