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## Planted with Hope Details

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## **From Reader Review Planted with Hope for online ebook**

### **Melissa says**

This is the second book in the Pinecraft Pie Shop Series. I absolutely love reading about Pinecraft, Florida. The Amish community there is one of a blending of Old and New, Mennonite and Amish. They may be eclectic but they make it work. And as the saying goes, "What happens in Pinecraft stays in Pinecraft." may not always be true.

Hope Miller is one of the Miller girls. She feels as if she lost her identity when they moved to Pinecraft. She loves the soil. Gardening is the one area that she excelled in when they lived back north. However, Pinecraft is not conducive to a garden. She longs to return to her northern roots and have a huge garden. When her sister allows her to make a garden behind the pie shop, Hope believes that this will be her escape. But when a Victory Journal shows Hope that a garden can be so much more, will Hope want to finally share her love with the community?

Jonas Sutter has come to Pinecraft to fill in as the school teacher for one semester. Not only is it the change he needs right now, but it is the change his daughter needs. However, he longs to return to Kentucky and his home. When the opportunity to teach the children of Pinecraft what a garden really is arises, will Hope and Jonas be able to work together? And does this cooperation lead to more?

This series has been both fun and a delight to read. Each of the characters are well thought out and well rounded. You cannot help but start to root for them to excel and grow. I look forward to another one in the series. Tricia Goyer and Sherry Gore make a great team of authors. I received a copy through Netgalley in exchange for my review.

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### **Maureen Timerman says**

The second book in the Pinecraft Pie Shop series, *Planted With Hope* focus on Hope Miller's life and her love of gardening. We are reunited with her sister Lovina and her soon to be husband Noah, and other folks we met in the first book.

We travel the picturesque streets of Pinecraft, Florida, and spend our time with the plain people. As the book opens we meet preconscious Emma eating a double dipper, what a mess and our Hope comes to her aid, and she does it again in a more serious situation.

Emma is the catalyst to bring her dad, Jonas, the substitute teacher until the end of the school year, and Hope together. The town garden that Lovina has a hand in brings Hope out and into her heart desire, gardening. Hope has a hard time relating to people, and would rather hid in her garden, she longs to go back to her life in Ohio, and takes an action with the hopes of returning. God seems to have other plans here, but will Hope open her life and heart, but there are many other people that are taking here hand and trying to lead her into the world.

Will Hope follow what is being placed in front of her, or will her doubts keep her locked in her own little world? The answers are here, and we might not agree with how things turn out, but you may be surprised. I received this book through Net Galley and the publisher Harvest House, and was not required to give a positive review.

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## Jan says

Wonderful book with lots of special nuggets of wisdom about God and His love. I am really enjoying this series and I have even read them to my husband who also enjoys them. Thanks so much, Tricia Goyer and Sherry Gore for sharing your talents.

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## Lindsey (Books for Christian Girls) says

About this book:

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Series: Book #2 in the “*Pinecraft Pie Shop*” series. Review of Book #1 [Here!](#)

Spiritual Content- John 12:24 at the beginning; Scriptures are read, mentioned, quoted, & talked about; Many Prayers; Church going, singing a hymn, & a sermon; Many talks about God, Jesus, His plans, trusting Him, & prayers; ‘H’s are capital when referring to God; Many mentions of God, His plans, & His peace; Many mentions of prayers, praying, & blessings over food; Mentions of praising & thanking God; Mentions of Bibles, Bible reading, & memorizing Scriptures; Mentions of churches, church going, services, ministers, preachers, & songs; Mentions of Heaven & eternity; Mentions of Amish & Mennonite beliefs; Mentions of raising money for a mission; A few mentions of blessings & being blessed; A mention of a hymnal;

\*Note: A couple mentions of Mother Nature.

Negative Content- Mentions of wars, fighting, deaths, & injuries (barely-above-not-detailed); Mentions of an explosion & deaths (barely-above-not-detailed); Mentions of almost drowning & fear (up to semi-detailed); Mentions of a stroke & death; A mention of lies; A couple mentions of crimes; A couple mentions of a death in a buggy & car accident; A couple mentions of jealousy; A mention of cigars.

Sexual Content- three hand kisses; Touches, Embraces, & Nearness (barely-above-not-detailed); Imaging a hug & warmth (barely-above-not-detailed); Noticing; Blushes; Mentions of noticing & interest; Mentions of blushes; A couple mentions of kisses; A mention of romance books; Love, falling in love, & the emotions;



"Who thought being Amish would be so popular?" ~ Hope Miller

Another beautiful book cover and story!

Planted With Hope focuses on the second oldest Miller daughter, Hope, and the challenges she faces with herself and her new community of Pinecraft, Florida. This story included a returning cast of lovable, down to earth characters as well as many new faces. I was happy to see the Amish Proverbs and recipes make another appearance, and I enjoyed the addition of the World War II journal Hope was given to read - it created a story within a story atmosphere that was interesting to watch unfold. Many of the prayers said or thought by the characters were beautiful and from the heart.

I smiled many times while reading this book! I'm looking forward to Sewn With Joy, the third book in this delightful series!!

Visit my review for Book One, Made With Love, here: <https://www.goodreads.com/review/show...>

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### **Freda Mans-Labianca says**

Lovely story with yummy recipes!

I tried two recipes and loved them both, but then adapted the second again for a third pie. The Luscious Lemonade Pie was my favorite, while the hubby loved the Peanut Butter Pie. I can't wait to try more recipes though like the Sausage and Potato Soup now.

The story follows a young Amish woman as she blends into a new society. She meets the man of her dreams. Then develops a closer relationship to God. The way that the authors told this story, I really liked a lot. With peeks back in time, you watch Hope grow. Almost as nicely as her garden.

I want to read more Pinecraft Series books. I'm hoping for more recipes in them, but I love the setting and characters too. Made With Love was where it began and I favor it slightly, but this book was a great continuation of the series. I look forward to whatever comes next!

3.5/5

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### **Rosemarie says**

Tricia Goyer has written another book that has touched my heart. Hope, a younger sister of the Lovinia (the main character in book 1), is a gardener. Her heart is most at peace when she's growing her vegetables, but the hot Florida climate and sandy soil is quite unlike the growing conditions she had up north where she grew up. As a gardener myself who moved from New England to South Carolina, I immediately connected with Hope. I also felt her joy when her sister donated the lot behind her pie shop for a garden, and her future brother-in-law brought in loamy soil to fill the raised beds he built. Now she could have a garden all to herself! But that wasn't the plan. The new school teacher, a widower with a young daughter, had thought the space was going to be a community garden. Hope had to make some hard decisions about sharing her garden space - and herself - because she was happiest when she was alone. Or, so she thought...until she started getting to know the school teacher.

Not only was this a wonderful story of faith and love, it was a story that spoke to the struggles many of us

have with reaching beyond ourselves to others - whether you're a gardener or not.

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## **Courtney says**

Sweet book.

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## **Veronica says**

This was a wonderful story about a young woman who loved the peace and quiet of working her own garden, but ultimately must choose whether to stay in her comfort zone or open her garden and her heart. I could relate to Hope's need for quiet and time to herself. I've never really done gardening myself, but I could understand the satisfaction of seeing the results of your hard work. I really enjoyed seeing Hope grow in her relationship with others and with God. I especially enjoyed a prayer time she had and the result of that. This series shows a lot more spiritual growth in the characters than a lot of other Amish books I've read. There was some wonderful advice in this story, from the spiritual to relational to gardening. There were either wonderful recipes or gardening advice from back before and during World War II after each chapter. I loved the journal Hope was reading from World War II and the lessons she learned from it. There were a few cute romantic moments. The setting of Pinecraft was wonderful and I would love to visit this laid-back Amish and Mennonite community. I also liked seeing characters from book one, especially her sister, Lovina, along with the rest of the family, and their wise elderly friend, Elizabeth. The story does work as a stand-alone, but I do suggest reading book one as that was wonderful, too. I'm excited for the next one! I highly recommend this story.

I received this book free from Harvest House Publishers in exchange for an honest review.

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## **Rhonda says**

As Hope stood, she looked down at herself and heat rose to her cheeks. She was thankful that the boat ramp sloped downward so no one could see her from the park.

She was a dripping mess. Her dress and apron clung to her. She crossed her arms over her chest, unsure of what to do. Unsure of how she was going to get home. The park was full of people and she'd have to walk right through the middle of them to get out of the park.

I've wanted to travel to Pinecraft, Florida to see the Amish/Mennonite community there for quite some time and this book was so wonderfully descriptive that I felt like I was actually there. I could feel the sun on my face, but thankfully, the humidity didn't make it through the pages. Because I have been to other parts of Florida in the summer months several times, and the heat plus the humidity actually felt like a slap in the face. Hope Miller and her Amish family are living there without the comfort of air-conditioning. Jonas Sutter brings his young daughter, Emma, there, to accept the job as substitute school teacher and hopeful that the sunshine and fresh air will help his daughter to get over her grief at losing her mother. When Hope and Jonas begin working together on the garden behind the Me, Myself, and Pie Shop, Emma loves being Hope's

helper. But Hope does not want the entire community in her space. She wants peace and quiet.

When an old gardening journal is shared with Hope, God begins to work on her heart. The recipes in the journal become new menu items for she and her sisters to add to the family dinners on their night to cook, but the journal does a great deal more than that. She learns about the time during World War II when the Pinecraft community united to create a Victory Garden. Will the garden drive Hope away from Jonas and her community? Will she allow others to share in her joy or lock them out? Will she decide to stay in Pinecraft or go back to Ohio where her heart belongs?

I loved reading about the impact of the Victory Garden on the Pinecraft community as I taught my former sixth grade students about them when we read some literature that included them. I also loved using gardening and plants to teach science and math as a public school teacher, so I personally saw great potential for Hope and Jonas to include the school children in the process of gardening. This book truly offers hope to the characters and to readers who apply its truths. Amish proverbs and recipes included with each chapter of the novel.

I had to give this book 5 stars because there are no higher star ratings available. It is THAT GOOD!

I received a copy of this book from the authors in exchange for my honest review.

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### **Jess McGlothlin says**

I'm really off on Amish novels right now :P

I really enjoyed this book. Absolutely feel in LOVE with Emma the little girl. I couldn't put this book down. The characters really drew me in, and the Christian parts of the book were really convicting and I enjoyed reading them. Sometimes the "preachy" portions of a Christian book feel forced, but I didn't feel that way in this book.

A fun easy-read, with recipes in each chapter. I would recommend if you like Amish novels.

4.8 stars for Planted with Hope

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### **Cheryl Baranski says**

Planted with Hope is part of The Pinecraft Pie Shop Series. I have thoroughly enjoyed Planted with Hope by Tricia Goyer & Sherry Gore. They are two very talented ladies. This book touched me in such a way. What a wonderful reminder that you need to have faith and Hope. You will get to catch up with characters that you met in the first book and get to meet some new characters. Characters that will surely touch your heart with their story. There is never a dull moment in this story. There is so much faith, hope, love, and determination throughout this most wonderful story. Recipes that sound so wonderful. I am looking forward to trying some of them out. I felt as though I was part of this story experiencing everything right along with the characters. What I wouldn't give to try a piece of that pie. Be sure to order your copy of Planted with Hope today. 5 stars! I received a copy of this book for my honest review.

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## **Shirley Chapel says**

### **Book Two of the Pinecraft Pie Shop Series.**

Hope Miller has always enjoyed gardening from the time she was just a girl. After her family moved to Pinecraft Florida Hope had tried to plant a garden in the sandy soil but was unsuccessful. Wanting to return to Walnut Creek Ohio she had written to her cousin Eleanor asking if she could move in with her family and help out with the children and do their gardening.

Jonas Sutter and his young daughter Emma had come to Pinecraft for the winter, so he could teach in the Amish school there. Ruth Ann, Jones's sister wants Jonas to ask Lovina Miller to turn the lawn behind the pie shop into a community garden. Her concerns are for that the children who live in Pinecraft need to learn about gardening.

Hope has always been a loner and decided to plant a garden in the raised flats behind the pie shop. Looking for peace and quietness she soon learns it will be anything but peaceful and quiet. People are always around asking questions and watching her work. Jonas wants to bring his students there to help plant the garden and care for it. Even though she is attracted to the handsome school teacher is this what Hope really wants .

I enjoyed learning about community gardens and how they bring people together. The writers shared recipes throughout the book. Would Hope trust God enough to let Jonas and Emma become a part of her life. Would she leave Pinecraft and go to live with Eleanor and her family?

Readers of Amish Fiction will love this book. If you read Made with love , book one of this series you will want to read Planted With Hope too. I highly recommend it .

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## **Kristina says**

Planted with Hope by Tricia Goyer and Sherry Gore is the second book in the Pinecraft Pie Shop series. It is the beginning of a new year in Pinecraft, Florida (a Mennonite, Old Order Amish, and New Order Amish community) near Sarasota, Florida. Matchmaking is going on behind the scenes for Hope Miller and the temporary schoolteacher (filling in for his sister), Jonas Sutter. Jonas is a widower from Kentucky with an eight-year-old daughter named Emma. Jonas is instantly attracted to Hope when he meets her after Hope rescues Emma from where she fell into the water. Hope is a person who does not like crowds or a lot of noise (and quiet is hard to find in her house). She enjoys the quiet of a garden. Hope severely misses that in Pinecraft. The soil is not ideal for a vegetable garden, and Hope does not have the money to bring in the proper type of soil. Hope is discontented and unhappy. Hope has decided maybe she needs to go back north and writes to a relative to find a nursemaid position (and where she can have a garden). Her family has decided to give her a garden behind Me, Myself, and Pie (her sister Lovina's pie shop). But what Hope has yet to find out is that Jonas is going to be involved as well (and the schoolchildren). Will the families matchmaking attempts pay off? Will the victory journal Emma receives change her outlook and her attitude about the garden? What happens when it is time for Jonas to return to Kentucky?

I enjoyed reading Planted with Hope. It was a heartwarming story with engaging characters (and a lovely setting). I like the addition of the victory journal (written during World War II). The entries add a special element to the book. Planted with Hope is easy to read (can be finished in a few hours) and well-written. I liked Planted with Hope better than the first book in the Pinecraft Pine Shop series. Planted with Hope can be read without having enjoyed the first book in the series. The book includes some great recipes (there is even

one for ice cream). There is a Christian element in the novel, but it is light and flows with the storyline (just the right touch). I give *Planted with Hope* 4 out of 5 stars. I will definitely be reading the next book in the Pinecraft Pine Shop series.

I received a complimentary copy of *Planted with Hope* from NetGalley in exchange for an honest evaluation of the novel.

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