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“Bestseller Lewis continues her streak of affecting, enjoyable Amish tales. . . Fans of Lewis’s work or Amish fiction in general will relish this heartwarming story of self-discovery, friendship, and the search for God’s will.”
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New From *New York Times* Bestselling Author Beverly Lewis

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Minneapolis, MN—With over 17 million books sold, Beverly Lewis is known to fans and the industry as a whole as the leading author in Amish fiction. Her most recent book, *The Road Home*, made the *USA Today* bestseller list and took the #1 spot on the CBA and ECPA fiction bestseller lists; she is the top-selling Amish fiction author with every new release.

On September 4, Beverly Lewis releases her new novel, *The First Love*. Inspired by real-life Lancaster County crusades by evangelists similar to Billy Graham, readers will love this heartwarming story of hope and healing.

It’s the summer of 1951, and Maggie Esh is in need of some hope. Sweet-spirited and uncommonly pretty despite struggling with illness, she is used to being treated kindly by the young men of her Old Order Amish church district. Yet Maggie wishes she were more like other courting-age girls so she could live a normal, healthy life. When tent revival meetings come to the area, the words of the preacher cause her to reconsider what she knows about faith. Can she learn to trust God even when hope seems a distant dream?

“Lewis’s new book is a stand-alone Amish novel filled with charming characters and surroundings amid a heartwarming storyline of love, overcoming grief, and trusting God with our future.”

—*Christian Market on The Road Home*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:



Beverly Lewis, born in the heart of Pennsylvania Dutch country, is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than one hundred books. Her stories have been published in twelve languages worldwide. A keen interest in her mother’s Plain heritage has inspired Beverly to write many Amish-related novels, beginning with *The Shunning*, which has sold more than one million copies and been made into an Original Hallmark Channel Movie. She has been interviewed by both national and international media, including *Time* magazine, the Associated Press, and the BBC. Beverly lives with her husband, David, in Colorado. Visit her website at beverlylewis.com for more information.

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