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Unable to cope with her guilt, Amanda’s daughter sinks into depression. And Amanda’s husband turns destructive as he watches his family succumb to grief. Before long, Amanda’s whole world has collapsed.

Amanda knows she has to save herself before it’s too late. As she continues to search for Sarah, she embarks on a personal journey, seeking hope and purpose in the wake of so much tragedy and loss.

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About the Author

Julie Cantrell is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of *Into the Free*, the 2013 Christy Award winning Book of the Year and recipient of the Mississippi Library Association's Fiction Award. Cantrell has served as editor-in-chief of the *Southern Literary Review* and is a recipient of the Mississippi Arts Commission Literary Fellowship. Her second novel, *When Mountains Move*, won the 2014 Carol Award for Historical Fiction and, like her debut, was selected for several Top Reads lists. Visit her online at juliecantrell.wordpress.com, Facebook: [juliecantrellauthor](https://www.facebook.com/juliecantrellauthor), and Twitter: [@JulieCantrell](https://twitter.com/JulieCantrell).

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