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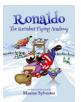
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### **BENDING ANGELS**

**Living Messengers of God's Love** 

### by By Jack H. Emmott

Genre: Memoir / Inspirational / Faith Publisher: Carpenter's Son Publishing Date of Publication: January 1, 2017 Number of Pages: 176

### Synopsis

Struck by polio at age six, Jack H. Emmott began learning the difficult spiritual lessons embodied in paralysis, shivering loneliness, and dark despair. Fortunately, Jack had help— people of all ages he calls his "Bending Angels," those who have spread their wings of love and inspiration to walk the journey of faith as the devastated little boy became one of Houston's celebrated attorneys, a loyal husband, and a devoted dad. Each chapter of this book will relate the story of a Bending Angel—from Brownie, the pup, to Mr. Ochoa, the baseball coach who understood how much of a heart it takes to win and how much of a soul it takes to lose your most precious dream. This book will inspire and uplift you as Jack H. Emmott, a life-long Christian, shares his spiritual wisdom and lessons learned.



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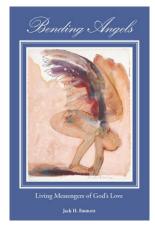














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"The power of 'Let go and let God' is personified in this inspiring story.

Also, that we are given guidance in the most unsuspected forms when we but look,

and that a flood of grace is behind every surrender. What a joy."

-- Lindsay Wagner, actress, author

"With gentle humor and no small amount of faith, Bending Angels: Living Messengers of God's Love tells the story of Jack Emmott's life and of the angels who have appeared in his life, just when he needed them the most.

Do I believe in angels? Absolutely.

Was Jack himself an angel to me during the darkest period of my life? Absolutely."

-- Debbie Adams, Past President, Ronald McDonald House Charities

of Greater Houston/Galveston;

Chair, Advisory Council UTHealth School

of NursingTrustee, St. Edward's University

"Bending Angel is a beautiful inspiring book about faith and prayer and the angels that surround us. Jack shared his life journey of trusting in God and drawing strength that was needed to help him. I learned a great deal from this book and have thought about it over and over again since I read it."

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"The spiritual journey for us humans is, in a sense, a quest to find the sacred in the ordinary, to appreciate blessings as we move through our lives."

**HALL WAYS REVIEW:** Bending Angels is a breath of fresh air. As Jack Emmott shares his life and his lessons learned, readers cannot help but feel inspired. Jack's insights and reflections as he navigated a life with and post-polio are amazing. He details his life and spiritual journeys by focusing on the thirteen living Angels who nurtured and nudged him along the way. All of his Angels weren't human -- and one (two?) even inanimate -- but all were vessels for giving Jack hope and perspective and building his faith.

Faith is what shines through in Jack's stories, but just as shining is the human



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Bending Angels ~ ~ Book Blog Tour & Review! spirit and how powerful is simple, loving acceptance given from young or old, human or animal. As Jack said, "Sometimes words are much less important than quiet companionship," and the Angels that came in to the author's world seemed to recognize that.

The primary focus of the stories is not Jack's body and what it was physically capable or incapable of doing; nor does the author dwell on the hurdles he had to overcome due to his health. Certainly, the heartbreaking impact polio had on his life is shared, but always, Jack finds the positive and purpose in his trials. Through each of the thirteen Angels' stories, readers see that what makes an Angel is the works done and how those works reflect God's love.

While reading *Bending Angels*, I experienced a wide range of emotions: I felt Jack's humiliations and his happiness; I cheered his triumphs but felt righteously indignant over injustices; I hurt when his faith wavered and rejoiced as he glowed with God's love. What makes this happen is in part due to the use of wonderful analogies, by which Jack is able to parallel his experiences to those with which most of us are better acquainted. (Especially good is the comparison of his broken body to broken marriages and spirits.) The writing feels like the reader is in comfortable conversation with the author. A thorough editing of the book would fix the numerous typos and errors and take the book to the next level; however, the need for proofreading doesn't interfere with the powerful messages sent via Jack's Angels.

Jack Emmott is an example to all of us to find the blessings in every aspect of our lives, despite whatever earthly hurdles we must overcome. I am grateful that I was able to read Jack's words and feel empowered to identify my own living Angels -- Jack Emmott is definitely on that list.

Thank you to Lone Star Book Blog Tours and the author for providing me a cherished print copy of the book in exchange for my honest opinion -- the only kind I give.

## About the Author

Author Jack contracted polio at the age of six. Before polio, he knelt at his bedside with his mother Lucile and said evening prayers. With paralysis, Jack could no longer kneel. But he could still pray to God for guidance, comfort and healing. The grace and love of God transformed all the bad from polio and paralysis into good. Jack is a life-long Christian and successful family lawyer in Houston, Texas. He is married to his wife of over forty years, Dorothy, who works alongside him in his calling. Jack is father to two children and grandfather to three grandchildren.



Jack is the author of *Bending Angels: Living Messengers of God's Love* by (Carpenter's Son Publishing, 2016) a memoir of the living angels that touched his life. He wrote *Prayerful Passages: Asking God's Help in Reconciliation, Separation and Divorce* (Outskirts Press, 2016) to help couples in struggling marriages ask God's help through prayer for the same guidance, comfort and healing he has received from our Almighty Father for over sixty years following polio.



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