



*Publishing God's Truth for the Next Generation (Psalm 79:12-13)*

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**For Immediate Release: The Grumpy Monk**

What is the secret of enjoying God all of the time, even when your life is hard? Now children can learn about the age-old secret discovered by Brother Lawrence, the seventeenth century French monk who penned the Christian Classic, *The Practice of the Presence of God*. Robin Khoury, children's author and Christian educator, has retold the story for children in the thirty-two page picture book, *The Grumpy Monk*. (36 pages, \$9.95.) The 33 illustrations are done in watercolor and pencil by Polish artist Agnieszka Korfanty. Ms. Korfanty graduated from the Lublin Artistic School in Poland.

Brother Lawrence, the Grumpy Monk, hated his job. He was a lay monk, and the lay monks did all of the hard work in the monastery. Brother Lawrence was assigned to the kitchen, which he loathed. One day brother Lawrence got personal with God and poured out his troubles. God reached down and gave the grumpy Monk a hug that changed his life. After learning Brother Lawrence's secret, the readers are admonished to practice the presence of God the next time they feel grumpy. That is a timely message for children of all ages.

Robin Khoury is the author of two other children's titles: *Answers For New Christians* and *BiC's Baptism*.

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