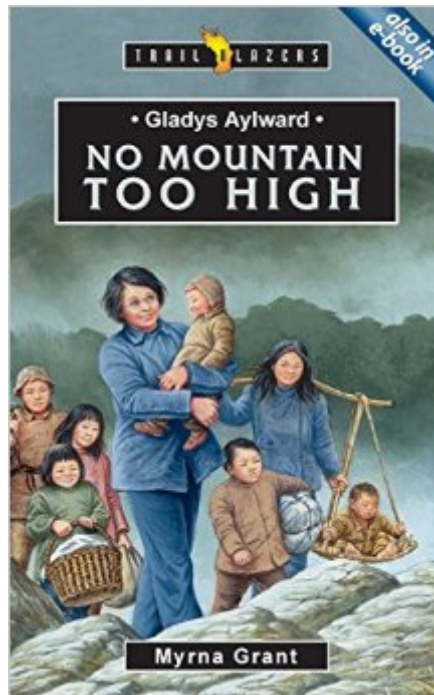


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# Gladys Aylward: No Mountain Too High (Trailblazers)



## Synopsis

Many looked on Gladys Aylward's expedition to mainland China as foolhardy and dangerous. It was. On her own, as a single female, she carried her passport and other documents, along with the only money and belongings that she had, in a small briefcase with a teapot and a saucepan tied to the handle. After having purchased her one-way ticket to China, she left the United Kingdom with a single-minded determination to do what God had commanded her. She knew she was meant to go to China - even if no mission was prepared to support her. Unconventional is the only way to describe this journey to the country that would eventually become her home. A theme that would continue throughout her mission work in China where she thwarted authorities, became involved in the Chinese resistance and rescued over 100 children from the invading Japanese army. Written for 9-14 year olds.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 9 years

Grade Level: 4 and up

## Customer Reviews

I recommend NO MOUNTAIN TOO HIGH, as a youth biography of Gladys Alward. This book takes the reader on an exciting a walk thru the life experiences of Gladys Alward, a British-born woman who felt God calling her to missionary work. Trusting the Lord, her travels take her across Russia to her destination --China-- where she lives, ministers and eventually dies. The author does well in illustrating the difficulties she faced, and the faith that kept her loving. Upon arrival in China they

threw mud at her and called her "foreign devil"; yet she loves them and serves humbly and is assigned the Chinese name Ai-weh-deh which means "righteous one." Upon finishing the final chapter last night I proclaimed aloud: "What an awesome woman!" I believe that you will do the same. Surely Gladys Alward was a unique woman, uniquely called, uniquely used... but throughout the book I was challenged by the thought, "Look what God does through those who simply serve him. What about me?" I read this book aloud to my children (ages 9-13). Every chapter has enough dialog, action, spiritual insight, and often unresolve that each night they pled, "Come on Dad, can't we read another chapter--just one more?" Young readers will find this a compelling easy-reader. I'd also recommend it for Church library and/ or summer reading club--so give it away when you're done with it--or better yet, buy two copies and bless someone. If you're reading this aloud to children, you'll want to take advantage of the "Thinking Further" pages at the end of the book which assist adults in asking thoughtful follow-up questions after each chapter. I wish I had books like this placed in my hands as a young Christian.

We homeschool and I chose this book as we are trying to learn more about missionaries. I read it aloud so even our younger children could hear the story. Once we had finished the first chapter, they were hooked! Each day, I heard "When can we read more 'Gladys'?" They do love when I read out loud to them, but this story really was special. Gladys has a sense of humor and exuded a strong will when necessary. I liked changing my voice a bit to "become" her to reflect this and the children often found her quite funny. In searching for more on this remarkable lady, I found the movie starring Ingrid Bergman (on Prime). I highly recommend this as a pairing- but read the book first! Hollywood does change a few details, but we knew the full inside story already- so it was enjoyable, and very "wholesome". My husband watched along with us- he had not heard the book, or her story before but became quite interested as he watched and began asking the kids questions for more details. Overall, a great experience for us, learning more about a strong follower of Christ. We are now reading the Corrie Ten Boom book (an amazing Christian woman in her own right!) and so far, we are equally as impressed with the writing (plan to review when we're finished).

Fantastic, inspiring story. The morals and life lessons along the way, (like perseverance, selflessness and work ethic), lead to meaningful discussions as I read this to my... boys! That's right, my two bear-cub boys were super intrigued with the story, always asking for one more chapter! I suppose the suspense and tension throughout the story kept them on edge and wanting more. I'm sure girls would love this story too- I know I am certainly inspired by this woman! This

book gets 5 stars in my book for proper grammar and usage, an interesting story line and high moral content.

I have watched the movie called "The Inn of the Sixth Happiness" that tells the story of Gladys Aylward and was trying to find a book on her life when I found this one for the kindle. I have just started reading the book but have enjoyed it greatly. I commend Gladys Aylward for not letting other people tell her that she wasn't qualified to follow her dream.

This is a great book! I read it during a mission study entitled .PERSPECTIVES ON MISSION. At the time I was going on a mission trip to the River. It helped to know that Miss Aylward had triumphed over a multitude of adversities.

Amazing and true story of a British woman who felt called to serve the people of China. She risks her life and every comfort to make life better for these people and spread her Christian values and religion. She loves God and the Chinese people she serves more than her own life. Over her life she saves 100's of orphans. Through war time their lives are often in peril. She gets her love, courage, and faith from God, expecting and receiving God's protection and miracles.

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