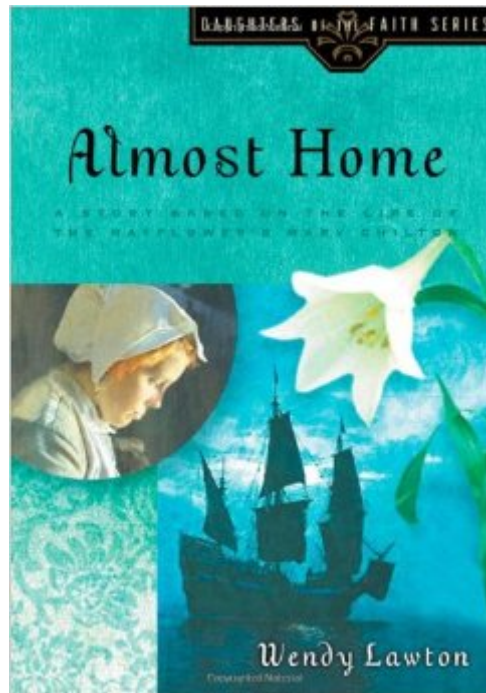


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# Almost Home: A Story Based On The Life Of The Mayflower's Mary Chilton (Daughters Of The Faith Series)



## Synopsis

Almost Home is the story of the pilgrims' journey to America and of God's providence and provision. Several of the characters in the story—Mary Chilton, Constance Hopkins, and Elizabeth Tilley—were actual passengers on the Mayflower. Mary Chilton was a young girl when she left her home in Holland and traveled to America onboard the Mayflower with her parents. The journey was filled with trials, joys, and some surprises, but when she reached the New World, she experienced a new life, a new freedom, and new home. Wendy Lawton has taken the facts of the pilgrims' journey to the New World, and from this information filled in personal details to create a genuine and heart-warming story.

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## Customer Reviews

Mary Chilton is 13. She feels as if she doesn't belong anywhere. Though she likes it well enough in Holland, it isn't really home. Born in England, she and her family, along with many other 'separatist' families fled to Holland because England would not let them worship God in their own way. When Mary learns that they will be going to America, she begins to hope that she may finally find a home. But when they leave, it is just Mary, Mother and Father. Her older sisters remain behind, and so do some of her best friends. It is a sad parting when they leave Holland, while at the same time there is

eagerness in the thoughts of getting to the New World. But first they have to stop in England. In England they board the Mayflower, which will carry them to America, but there are many alarming delays before they are finally underway, and it is so late by then that they knew it would be winter before they got there. A dangerous winter storm hits and the little band of Pilgrims become very sick with the motion of the rocking and pitching of the ship throughout the storm. Only a few stay healthy enough to take care of the rest, and many burdens are thrust on Mary's young shoulders. Yet as each day passes, Mary's thoughts keep her thinking "Almost home...I'm almost home." When the storm finally subsides, the passengers discover they have been blown off course, and are far north of their intended landing in Virginia. It is bitter cold when they finally make shore at Plymouth Rock, and their little group is not as large as when they left the shores of England. It is November, their supplies are either all gone or spoiled, and they won't be able to plant any crops until spring.

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