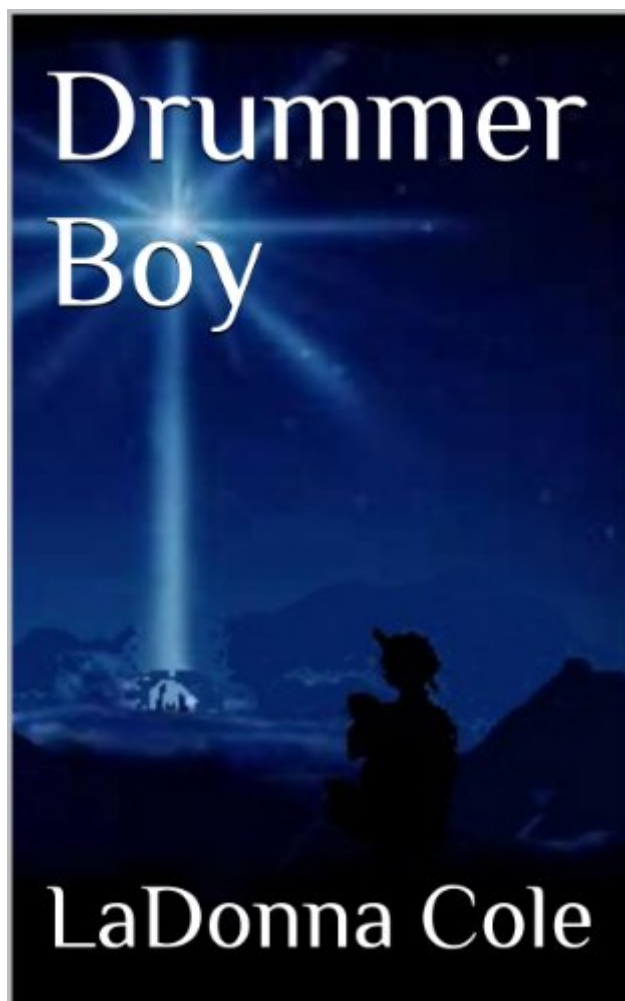


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# Drummer Boy: A Family Christmas Story



## Synopsis

In this heart warming inspirational Christmas flavored e-book novella follow Cadence O'Connelly, a brave little drummer boy from Bethlehem, Ireland at the end of the Tudor reign in a bloody period when men, women, and children were often killed for no better reason than to advance specific political and religious agenda. Explore the story of a young boy who gave all he had for a baby king in a time when anarchy was common and kings were despised. The famous Christmas carol, Carol of the Drums, by Katherine Kennicott Davis has always been a favorite carol, not because of its accuracy to the Biblical account of the birth of Christ, but because of the heart of the message, Christ appreciates true worship. "Since my son became a percussionist, this carol has taken on new meaning for me." The writer explains the motive behind the book. "When I watch him pour out his skill and derive such joy from hard work expressed through God-given talent, I am reminded of the story of the Little Drummer Boy." A Christmas carol comes to life in an alternate time in speculation fiction when a boy, Cadence, kidnaps his baby brother to run from a dangerous plot of murder as a king conspires to kill and evil men carry out his orders. Taking shelter with a band of nomadic shepherds, Cade witnesses a miraculous birth as angels and wise men participate. A heartwarming family oriented tale about love, sacrifice and worship. You will love the poetic and prophetic voice of the tiny percussionist as he spills soul sound to intercede for the baby and worship will rise in you as you fall on your face before the massive army of heaven. This descriptive and emotional story will put you in the Christmas spirit. Join other families in making this part of your Christmas story collection and tradition.

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## Customer Reviews

Drummer Boy is a retelling of the birth of Christ that occurs in a different time and place. The premise itself is fine, but there were a few things that I feel need to be addressed. There were several typos, and the shift from third-person to first-person point of view was so jarring that it threw me out of the story. The story would have read much better if the author had stuck to one point of view for her main character, Cade.

I actually got goose bumps when I read the part about the host of angels singing to the Christ child. Wonderful story. Wish it were in book form so I could send it to all my friends. Very imaginative.

LaDonna Cole has done a fantastic thing in resetting the birth of the Christ child into a different time and place. In doing this she shows how this tiny baby came to the world just like every other babe. That he came not to take over the world but to save it. This book will help many see the joy, amazement, and simplicity in the birth of the son of the most high God. Great job!

From start to finish, I loved this little boy. It's a quick read, and a heartfelt tale about Cade, a little boy in Northern Ireland that wants to keep his little brother Andy safe from a group of men sent to kill all the babies. His father runs an Inn, and there is no room at the inn. (Sound familiar?) Cade had my heart from the beginning. I even enjoyed his parents. For such a short read, there was great setup and great characters. I appreciated that his name was Cadence, also, as he was constantly keeping time. It shifts POV at Chapter 11, from third person to first person, but I feel that it didn't disrupt the story very much. It may have added to the emotions the little boy felt when he recognized the birth of the baby. Although I'm not sure whether the author did it that way on purpose or not, I'm inclined to think she did. At any rate, it didn't affect too much with reading. A great read. This would be a great Christmas read to get in the spirit, or a good gift for anyone who loves that kind of quick, sweet-hearted read.

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