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Toy Johnson believes she is a good teacher, a devoted wife, and a decent person. So how can it be possible that she has been arrested as a child stealer and charged with murder? And she is helpless to defend herself with her version of events, because it defies all the rules of logic. Childless and unfulfilled in her marriage, Toy had been desperate to find hope for the future, and at last her life had meaning with her 'dreams', where she was able to save lives and heal children. But now the trial forces those around her - those who love her and those whose lives she has saved - to judge whether or not the seemingly impossible can in fact be real ...

California Angel Details

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From Reader Review California Angel for online ebook

Kelly Driessen says

A really sweet story, its a light and easy read!

Jen says

Lot of lose ends that never really got finished...ended too soon.

Nancie says

Got this at the church used book sale...Great book!

Teresa says

If you like "feel good" books this will definitely be one for you. I've read a number of books by this author and this was different from any of those I've previously perused. It's not really my kind of book but it was well written, with likable characters and a good message overall.

Charlie says

I first read this book back in 1996 or so when it first came out (or was re-released, I'm not really sure) I was about 10 or so when I read it, and didn't understand a lot of what was in the book, but I kept it, because the story itself was good.

When I was adding books to my library (on LT) I came across it again, and found that there were no reviews for it. Huh? It's a great book, at least to what I remember. So I cracked it open again, and remembered why (and understood so much more being older!) I loved this book.

It starts out with a little boy named Raymond, and a teen who appears and talks to him. The nun is stunned, where did this woman come from? Raymond, who never talks to anyone talked to her. They exchanged rings (his being plastic, hers being a ruby) and then the girl disappears.

Years later Toy Johnson is a teacher, everyone likes her, she takes care of everyone the best she can. Whether giving kids money for jackets or giving families rent money so they don't get evicted. Her husband, a surgeon, forbids her from doing this, saying that it's his money he worked for it and he won't share it with lazy bums.

So Toy moves in with her best friend, and fellow teacher, Sylvia. They go to New York where things get...a

little weird.

She has dreams about helping children, like helping a little boy get away from fire, only she wakes up in the hospital (Sylvia notices she isn't really breathing and calls 911) with burns on her hands.

Then, the reporters come and she is accused of murder.

****This is an excellent story and you'll be pulled in from the very beginning. A must read, go on give it a try.****

"...Makes us believe in the human spirit, and what is can accomplish...a great page-turner" - Associated Press

Marion says

Nice feel good story:)

Julie Brand says

A nice light read. A sweet story that didn't require to much concentration, and was entertaining.

Kathy says

real angel story on earth today

Sarah says

This is the book the got me reading again many moons ago, so just that fact makes it one of my favourites. I remember the basic story but it was like reading it again for the first time

Bobbie says

This is one of my favorite books. I've lost count how many times I have read it.

fejázir says

...*sigh liked this so much!

Diana Noe smith says

I registered a book at BookCrossing.com!

<http://www.BookCrossing.com/journal/14439455>

Drew says

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Legolas Devildog says

Another great one done by Rosenberg. I am remembering as I re-read her books why I enjoyed her so much when I was younger. The writing is compelling and complex. I picked up so much more this time around then the first time, both times however a fantastic read.

You will be surprised if you are a regular reader of Rosenberg because this one is a bit different from her usual reads, but no less good. It really is a enjoyable and compelling read. If you want a book to read from cover to cover this would be one I would suggest.

Kristen says

In Nancy Taylor Rosenberg's California Angel, she took a break from her legal thrillers to write this compelling spiritual literary fiction that's perfect to be read or re-read during this time of year. For Toy Johnson, she was a L.A. school teacher who couldn't help children in trouble. While her marriage to Stephen faltered, she'd been experiencing heart problems and had a dream about a boy in Kansas. Later she was arrested for his kidnapping, when she only dreamt about him. A mysterious cop named Joey became her guide. This novel had a shocking ending you don't want to miss or relive again.
