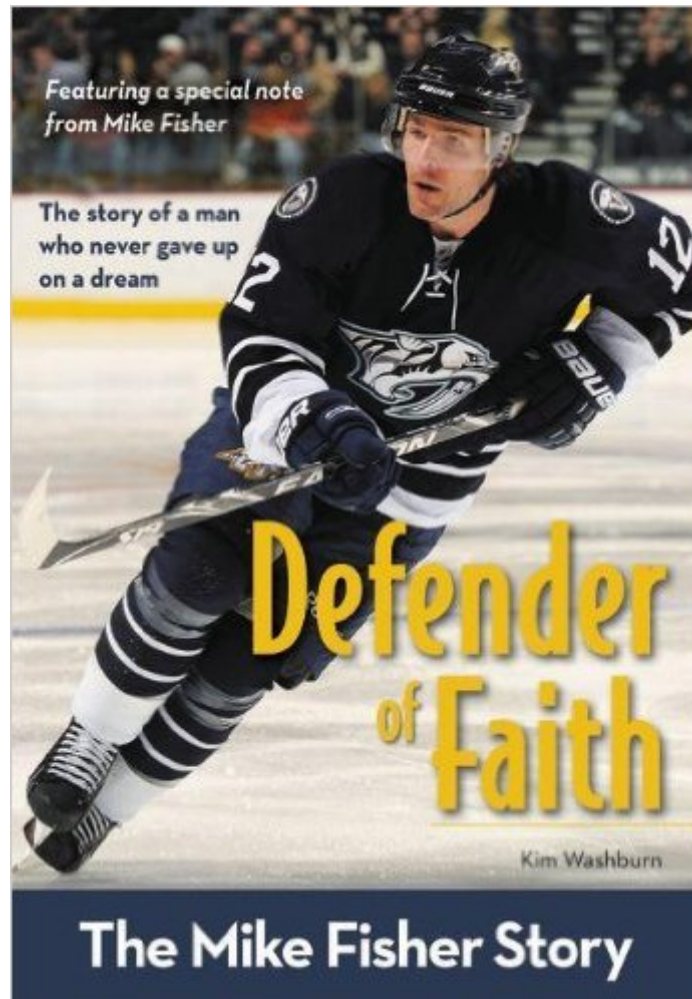


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Synopsis

Mike Fisher knows the true meaning of a power play. As a veteran of the National Hockey League, Mike Fisher has a lot to be proud of. He plays for the Nashville Predators, was an alternate captain for the Ottawa Senators, competed in the Stanley Cup finals, and has been nominated for the Selke Trophy as the best defensive forward in the league. But it's not just his guts, grit, and talent that have brought him success. His power comes from the top—he puts his faith in Christ first and has demonstrated his love for God both on and off the ice.

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Where have all the role models gone? Who should kids -- and particularly Christian kids -- look up to these days? Maybe it's only because the "bad" stories get more press, but it often seems like all of the celebrity "heroes" (singers, actors, athletes, etc) are greedy, vain, or downright criminal!

Thankfully, that's not the case, and there are still some truly worthy heroes to be found. Mike Fisher is one of them. This book tells the story of one of the NHL's grittiest players, currently a Center for the Nashville Predators. It chronicles his life as a child growing up in Peterborough, Ontario, and his rise through the professional hockey ranks to the highest levels of national and international competition. More importantly, it reveals how his life and his career have been impacted by his faith in Jesus Christ. Defender of Faith stays pretty surface-level as far as the specifics of the Christian

faith, choosing to focus on portraying major events in Fisher's life rather than dwelling on doctrines or denominational issues. This is to be expected, as the book's target audience is children ages 9-12, as part of the ZonderKidz Biography Series. For a kids' book, it is excellent; an easy and enjoyable read. The book's greatest strength is the way it shows Fisher living out his faith in a winsome manner despite his role in the high-pressure world of professional sports. A naturally quiet and reserved man, Fisher realized the platform that he had to impact lives, and has stepped into the public spotlight (particularly since his marriage last year to country music superstar Carrie Underwood) as an outspoken advocate of Christianity and community involvement.

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