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The Prom Queen.

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Hard work by your friends and fairy-tale good luck can get you elected prom queen—if you want it badly

enough. After catching a televangelist's message to "believe it and receive it," Megan decides that the

prom crown will be hers. As part of her campaign during the months running up to prom, she tries to get

involved in a range of extracurricular activities at her Christian high school, do good works, show

leadership, lose weight, and get a date for the big night. While the teen guy characters don't feel fully

developed, here, Megan and her girlfriends are presented as credibly flawed and sympathetic, and readers

will enjoy all of Megan's projects to boost her electability, even if they occasionally stretch probability.

There is no need for readers to refer to earlier episodes in the Life at Kingston High series for this entry to

make sense to fans of very gentle Christian romances.

— Francisca Goldsmith