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The heartbreaking true story of a young, troubled mother who needed help.

The sixteenth fostering memoir by Cathy Glass.

It is the first time Laura has been out since the birth of her baby when Cathy sees her in the school playground. A joyful occasion but Cathy has the feeling something is wrong. By the time she discovers what it is, it is too late. This is the true story of Laura whose life touches Cathy's in a way she could never have foreseen. It is also the true stories of little Darrel, Samson and Hayley who she fosters when their parents need help. Some stories can have a happy ending and others cannot, but as a foster carer Cathy can only do her best.

## The Silent Cry Details

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### **Kelly Gross says**

I clearly misunderstood when I read the preview of this book when I bought it because I guess I was assuming (I know what that makes me, ugh) it was a fiction book like 99% of the books I've read have been. I did not realize however, that it is basically the diary of a very charming foster care taker simply reporting the events of her day to day life. That's literally it. The actual "plot" if you even want to consider it one is about her neighbor who just had a baby and suffers from extreme post natal depression/psychosis. If she didn't repeat herself over and over reciting the daily agenda for the day with the kids and school then tea with her parents, etc etc etc, this entire story could have been summed up in about 10 pages. And the reader still wouldn't be "wowed" because nothing worth telling happens! Absolutely no suspense or thrill or anything to keep me interested. I know I am being harsh but I have just never been so let down by a book in my life. It actually blows my mind trying to imagine her reading this back after writing it and thinking "oh yes, this is good stuff I'm really going to keep the readers attention with this one!" NOT! If I have to force myself to keep reading just to get it over with, then it's truly bad, as usually I have to force myself to stop! This is only the second time this has happened to me (when I don't finish a book) and i absolutely hate quitting a book I've started, but I tried really hard but by page 299 (which was about 75-80% of the way) I made the final decision to just quit. I had just read 299 pages of the same story and remarks and thoughts over and over and still nothing significant had even happened yet! Sorry Cathy Glass, I just was not a fan. But now that I know her books are all nonfiction tellings of her experiences with foster kids, (which might be very interesting to some readers, I am not judging!) I won't buy anymore of her books. I'm sticking to the thriller/crime/suspense novels as they never let me down:)

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### **Dr.Dania Tauseef says**

The book although addressing a very important topic of postnatal psychosis and support of family in this regard but I did not find the story as grasping as damaged, another forgotten child or baby's first cry.

Though it does bring awareness of Psychiatric issue specially postnatal psychosis which routinely goes unnoticed but can lead to serious consequences.

Plus how a child like Samson who actually is a pleasant and good hearted child can be lead into criminal activities if not given proper adult attention and supervision.

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### **Karlie Teis says**

This is the second Cathy Glass book I have read and the stories were captivating and touched on some subjects that definitely need more awareness (PND), however I found the writing style a little boring. Samson was a true little character and brought the book to life, he made me chuckle after feeling down about Laura's story.

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### **Dana says**

Decent read. The book seems to be directed towards readers who are interested in psychology, education, or parenting. It could be helpful to someone who's interested in becoming a foster carer. Sometimes it felt like we're getting too many details (the author would explain why she did something or why something is the way that it is or she'd add extra (seemingly unnecessary) details about an event), which might make it a bit boring for some people. I did appreciate those additions, though, as it made the book feel like a chat with a friend.

From the cover we get the impression that the story is about Kim and her mom, but it never felt like there was a main character - it was sort of a personal diary that involved a lot of people.

I think would have given the book a different title.

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### **Julia Smith says**

was a good book and interesting to hear more of the routine day to day routines of a foster carer and the things that crop up rather than the details of fostering one particular child but didn't find myself eager to read more.

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### **Elizabeth Ray says**

This book deserves a 3.5 I think. I love Cathy Glass's books and her tales of being a foster parent. This book was a little different as it had to do with her neighbor's mental health issues and wasn't centered around a child she was fostering. Because I am such a fan, I thought it was interesting to see some other aspects of Cathy's life and how her family functions when there's no foster child with them. However, I think first time readers of hers would find the book slow.

Besides her neighbor, this book also discusses a few respite foster care placements that Cathy took during the time period of her neighbor's difficult. There are still some fostering stories in here and more information about different types of placements. Again, as a long-term reader, this was interesting, but it may not be to an new reader. I also don't think the book title and cover blurb were very fitting since there were a lot of family members in little Kim's life helping to look out for her.

Not my favorite Cathy Glass book, but it's worthwhile to read if you're already a fan.

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### **G Wright says**

I really did not enjoy this book. It read like a simplified manual for foster careers. It was full of unnecessary and boring detail and so repetitive, interminable trips to the school for instance and how many times were we told about the klaxon sounding!! I found Cathy annoying with her pontificating and preaching about proper child care - she even congratulates herself "Well done me" on her genius idea of organising the sports day. It is the first of her books I have read and sadly it will be the last.

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## **Hannah says**

This book was good and I couldn't put it down. Probably due to the true story element. I liked how it mixed the fostering stories and the mental health story, but feel like it could of focused more on the later, as that was what was implied in the blurb. Though it was interesting to get an insight into foster care. I would be interested in reading more of her books.

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## **Laura says**

Having read a few of Cathy Glass' books some years ago, I looked forward to reading this based on several favourable reviews from other readers. The story draws attention to the important and often thankless job of foster care workers as is the case with her other stories; however I felt the title and synopsis was quite misleading as the young girl in question, Kim, is only ever a minor character in the overall story. In the last half of the book, she is barely mentioned at all. This memoir is perhaps best described as an overall picture of foster caring as Cathy and her family meet several children who are in need of support.

The story of Kim surrounds her mothers descent into postnatal psychosis after the birth of her baby brother. Undoubtedly Kim was affected by her mothers ill health but she was not left alone as the cover of the book suggests; she has an ever present grandmother and a father who collectively seek the right support for their loved one (which, thankfully, is achieved).

I enjoyed Glass' descriptions of her time caring for Samson, a young boy with behavioural difficulties. I felt his story alone could have been adapted into a whole book! Nonetheless, his story features throughout the book as do several other children's cases.

I have the utmost respect for foster carers and the social workers supporting them and their families; but I was left feeling rather disappointed that the story of Kim wasn't further explored. Cathy never provides foster care for Kim, the closest she comes to it is picking her up from school. Unlike her other foster care stories, Cathy is merely an outsider and watching much of this story unfold from across the street. An okay read, but she has published far better ones.

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## **Beth says**

3.5

I always enjoy reading Cathy Glass books, and although this one was different to her others, and not as enjoyable, it was still a nice read.

This book, rather than just focussing mainly on a foster child, it also featured a friend who was suffering from postnatal psychosis (which I had not heard of before), I only wish it would have focused more on Laura and her mental health, as having the chance to read his kind of thing could also help other mother's potentially suffering from the same condition.

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## **Emy says**

Cathy Glass has been a foster carer for more than twenty years, and through her books she shares these experiences, and the experiences of the children in her care.

This is mainly the story of Laura, a mother who is suffering from postpartum psychosis, and not the story of a child Cathy is fostering. However, it is also partly the story of Samson, a boy Cathy takes in for respite a few times, and of Shelley, a young mother doing her best.

Though different from Cathy's other books, especially in that it covered the stories of multiple lives, it was still an interesting read. I actually watched a documentary on postpartum psychosis a month or so ago so it was really interesting to see it described here. It's kind of like the emotional incest story she told in *Daddy's Little Princess* - a subject that's not often talked about so it's great that she brought some awareness to it through her writing.

Even though this story happened a while ago (Adrian and Paula were very young in this book), I don't think the culture of shame around mental illness has changed very much. That's saddening to think about, really.

Because Cathy was involved more as an outsider, though, the story felt a little sparse and padded out with the stories of Samson and Shelley, even though they logically made sense to tell as they occurred at the same time. This is not necessarily a criticism, but I felt it was lacking a little of what I enjoy most about Cathy's book - a connection with a child. I did especially like how she captured Samson's personality, though he was not with her long enough for her to form that special connection with him.

As always, though, Cathy Glass remains an author who doesn't disappoint. There was enough closure with each story that it felt complete, and she will definitely remain on my auto-buy list.

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## Rebecca McNutt says

**I received a copy of this book in a Goodreads giveaway.**

Foster mom memoir writer Cathy Glass has written her latest, *The Silent Cry*, and it's a true story of offering help, of reuniting family, and unconditional love. In this book it isn't just the children who need help, but also their unstable mom, and all it takes is the support of one person to make a big difference for the family. However, there are many obstacles to overcome, and deep-seeded problems that need to be dealt with. *The Silent Cry* is a genuine, honest and inspirational story that hopefully brings more people out there in the world to step up and help when cases like this happen.

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## Joanne says

This is quite a different work by Glass. It touches on fostering for sure, but at the same time, it also looks at topics such as mental health, family relationship, new parenthood etc. For those that are looking for a good hard Glass's fostering memoir might be disappointed, but it is also one of her lighter works, talking about her early days when both of her children are still fairly young. Although by saying that, it doesn't mean there are no usual emotions involved, just not as much and intense. A good 3.75/4 star

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## Angela says

Cathy Glass books are always accessible to all readers. However, because of this, there are lots of repeated lines and in depth detail where it is easy for me to grasp the first time. I think this is good for people who may not understand the concepts that she is talking about but for a higher level of reader it gets a bit annoying in parts. That being said I am glad that there were happy endings.

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## &#x1f338;christine&#x1f338; Keen says

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