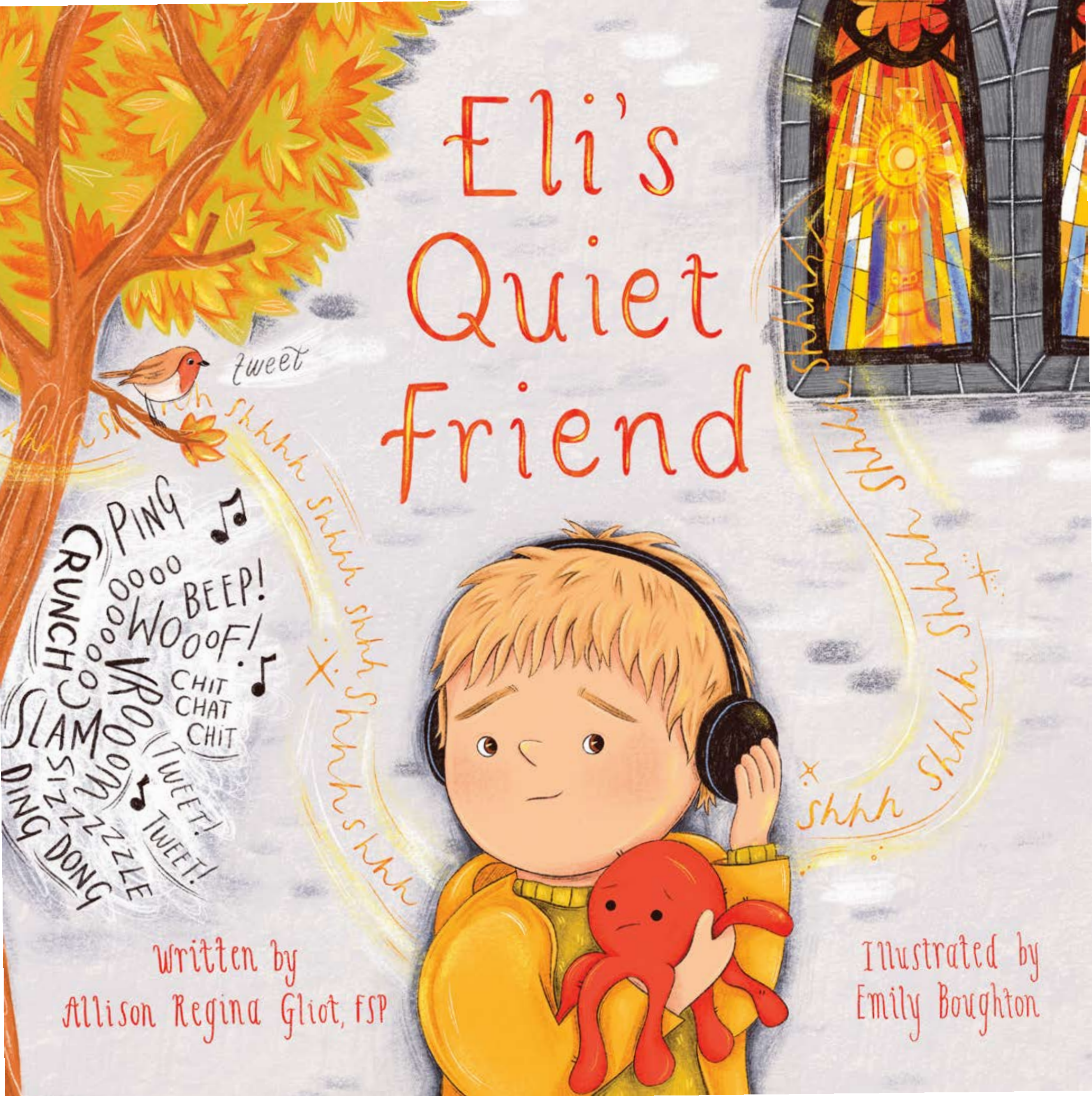


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Eli was special.

He heard the sounds things
make.

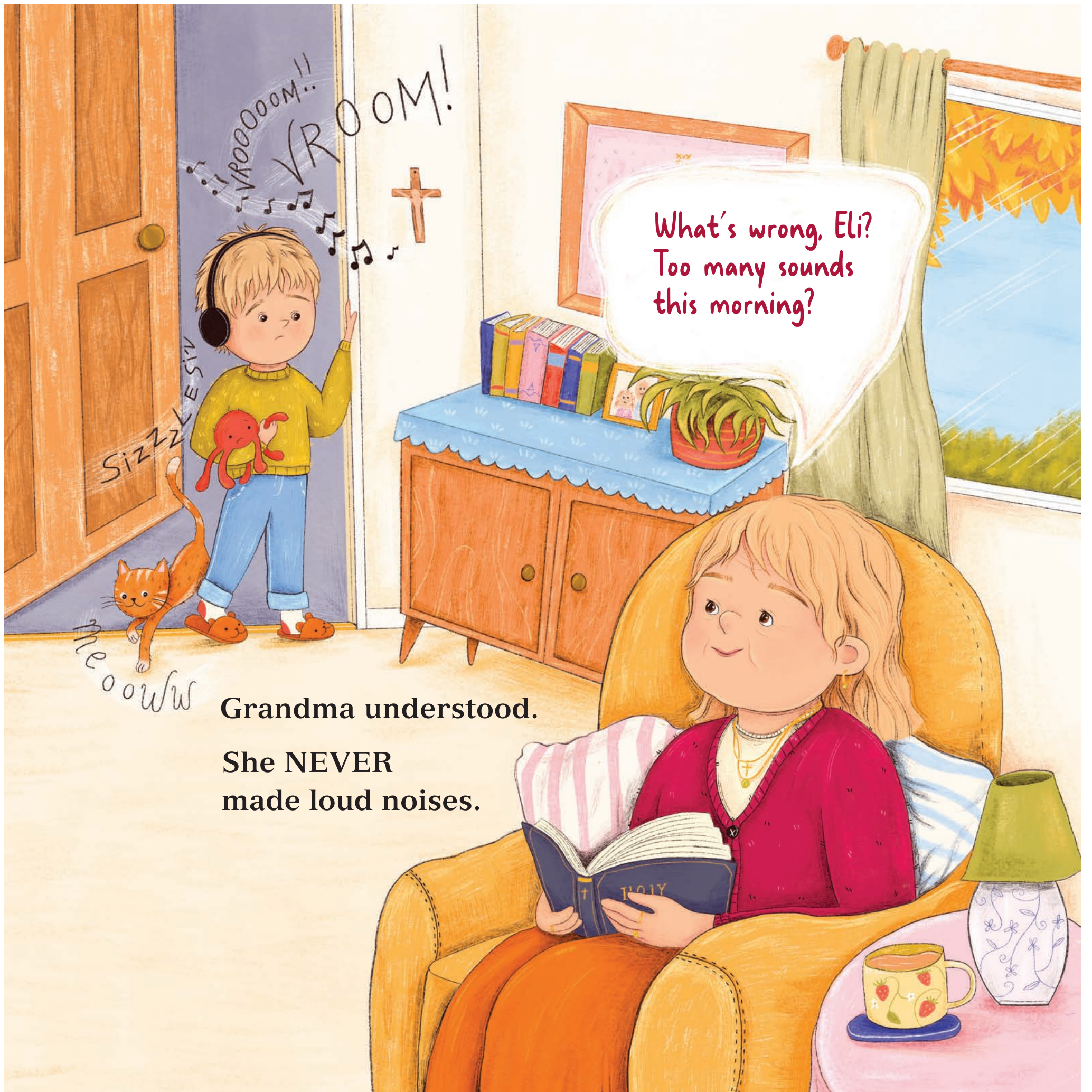
But he heard them all. The. Time.

He could not stop hearing
them if he tried.

Sometimes,
it was too much.







SIZZLE SIV

VROOOOM!!
VROOM!

What's wrong, Eli?
Too many sounds
this morning?


meoww

Grandma understood.

She NEVER
made loud noises.

HOLY

meoww



She also told stories from her Bible that made Eli feel like he was really there.

I have a special one for you today. Did you know that God likes the quiet too?

Once, there was a man named Elijah—
just like you, Eli.

God told Elijah that he was going to
pass by. So Elijah went to the mountain
to wait for God.





There was a rushing wind that **CRUSHED** the rocks. But God was not in the wind.

Then, there was a fierce earthquake that **SHOOK** the ground. But God was not in the earthquake.



Then, there was a **ROARING** fire that burned everything up. But God was not in the fire.

