

Daddy's Song

Saisamoa Laban
(Based on a true story)



Carlan snuggled in bed, fast asleep. She wore her favorite pajamas with elephants on them and held her favorite fuzzy bear.

Suddenly Carlan's eyes flew open wide.

Scary, scary!

she yelled. She covered her face and started to cry.



Daddy came to the door.

Did you
have a bad
dream?

he asked. Carlan nodded,
but tears kept rolling
down her cheeks.



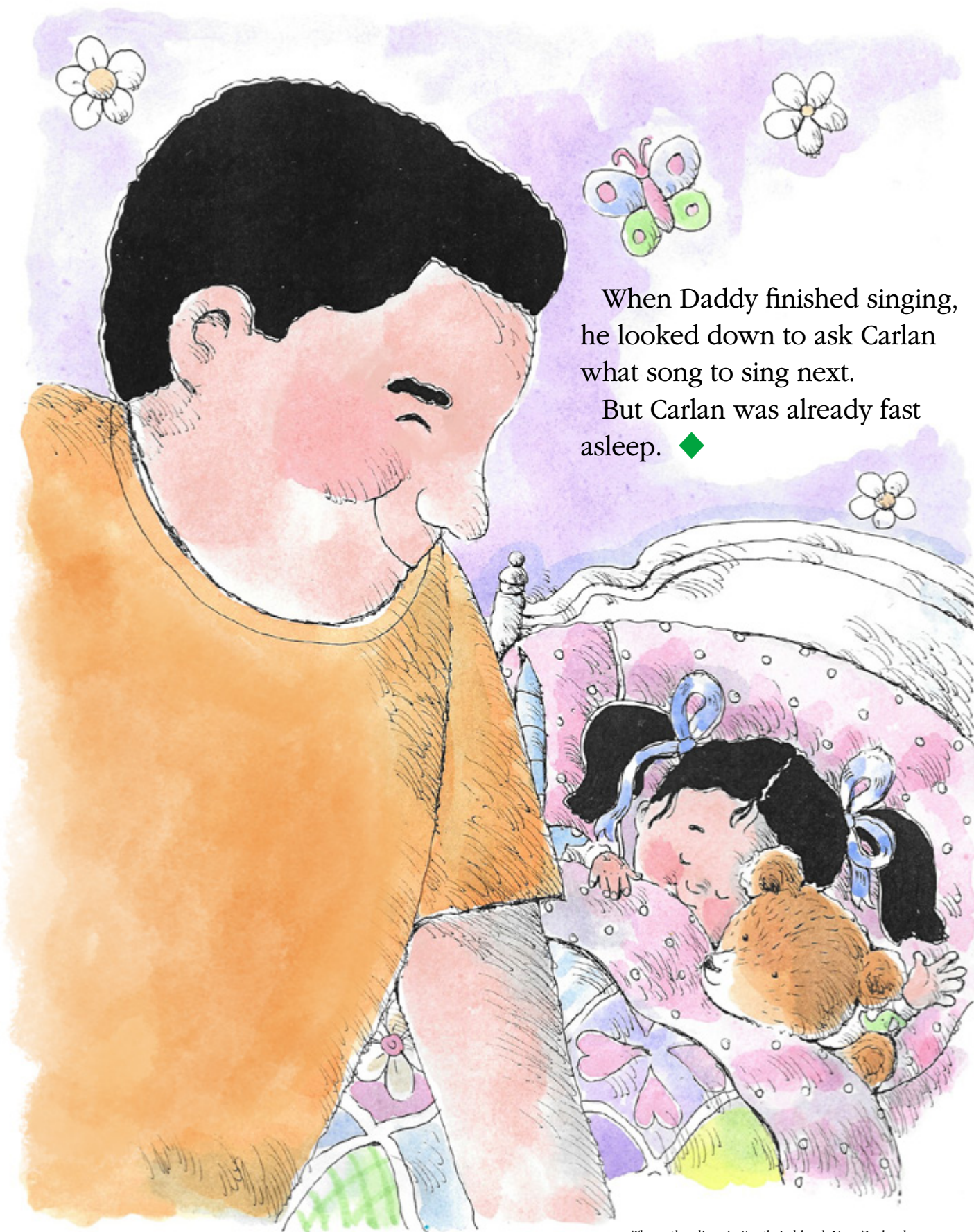
Daddy sat down on Carlan's
bed and started singing,

I love to see
the temple. I'm
going there
someday.

Carlan felt a little better. "Daddy, sing
child of God, please," she asked.

"I am a child of God, and He has
sent me here," Daddy sang.





When Daddy finished singing,
he looked down to ask Carlan
what song to sing next.

But Carlan was already fast
asleep. ◆

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