

## Book Review: **The Giver of Stars** by Jojo Moyes

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A Reese Witherspoon Book Club Pick

Set in a small town in Kentucky during the Depression era, we are immediately drawn in to the story of the women in this town and how they join together for a common cause. Eleanor Roosevelt's program of traveling libraries to spread literacy becomes a commitment to each of the librarians that is challenging and so very rewarding.

Alice Wright, originally from a privileged life in England, comes to America with hopes for a fresh start. She never expects the connection that develops between herself and the other women who volunteer to work for Eleanor Roosevelt's program of a traveling library and the significant improvements that it brings to the homes of the less fortunate.

The characters are so alive in this book, you will feel that you know them. I listened to the audiobook, soulfully narrated by Julia Whelan.

This fascinating epic is based on a true story of heart, service and sisterhood so true to the American way.

The ebook and audiobook are available on Overdrive.

