

LOUIS BOTHA'S WAR **By Adam Cruise**

*The Campaign in German
South-West Africa,
1914–1915*

*The first war fought by a united south africa
The first successful campaign of the first
world war*

*One of the last times in history that a head of
state took to the battlefield*

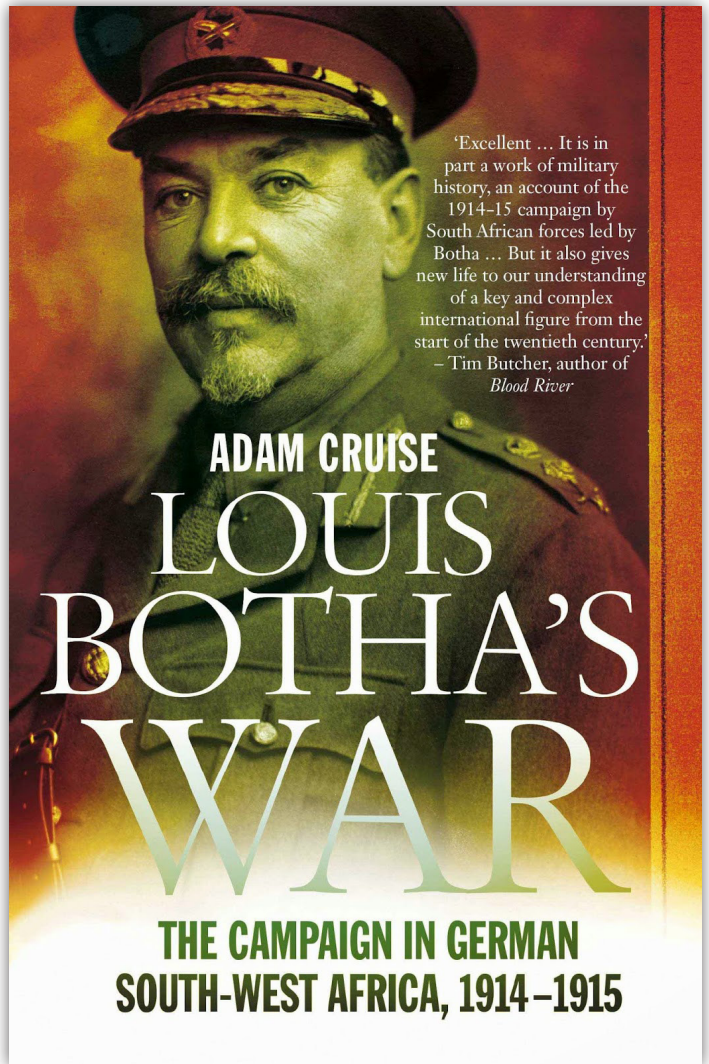
About the Book

A mere twelve years after fighting the British in the Anglo-Boer War, Louis Botha went to war again – this time on Britain's side. As prime minister of the Union of South Africa at the outbreak of the Great War, Botha agreed to lead his country on a campaign against the Germans across the border in South-West Africa. But first he would have to deal with a revolt from fellow Afrikaners who would rather take up arms against him than side with the old enemy.

Louis Botha's War is the story of how a former Boer War general crushed a rebellion and rallied his country's first united army to fight a better-equipped enemy in harsh conditions. It is a tale of thirsty men and horses trekking over miles of barren desert; German aviators flying above in rickety aeroplanes; the unusual presence of a prime minister's wife on the field of battle; and a fabled gold-filled safe at the bottom of a lake.

Adam Cruise recreates these fascinating events from journals, memoirs and documents, and describes how the remote battle sites look today. He also explores the effects of Botha's campaign, which determined the relationship between South Africa and its northern protectorate until well into the twentieth century.

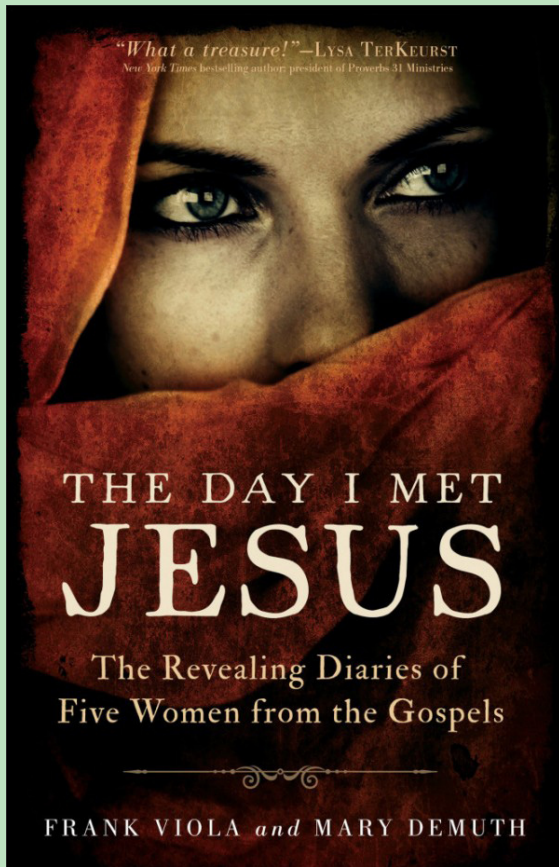
This is an absorbing chronicle of the exploits of a remarkable man who has been strangely forgotten by history, but whom Winston Churchill described as the greatest general he had ever known.



About the Author

Adam Cruise was born in Johannesburg and studied at the University of Cape Town and Stellenbosch University. He has published articles on travel and conservation in a variety of magazines and newspapers, as well as a book, *In the Pursuit of Solitude*, about a six-month journey through the remote recesses of southern Africa. He is also a conservation correspondent, whose commentary on significant wildlife matters such as the current elephant and rhino crises has been widely publicised.





THE DAY I MET JESUS

Frank Viola and Mary DeMuth

Two thousand years ago, Jesus Christ met face-to-face with people just like you. Broken, imperfect, sometimes fearful and without hope. The Day I Met Jesus is a beautifully crafted narrative that chronicles the remarkable encounters of five women in the Gospels who were desperate to find wholeness, security, and purpose. Like all of us, these women struggled with the regrets of their pasts, the stresses of their presents, and the worries of their tomorrows.

Join Frank Viola and Mary DeMuth on a fascinating journey back in time as they retell the dramatic accounts of five women who met Jesus. Each narrative is told from each woman's unique perspective, yet tightly grounded in the Gospel accounts and faithful to first-century history. Elegantly written and profoundly stirring, this book blends creative narrative with uncommon insight, spiritual depth, and practical application.

If you are someone who seeks a renewal of hope, faith, and love, The Day I Met Jesus will make your Bible come to life and usher you into a fresh encounter with your Lord.

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A father is a real life superhero

For children a father is a real life superhero who is able to provide the protection they need. But when a family lives in the middle of the jungle without direct access to life-saving healthcare, the superhero needs to rely on the help of others.

Captain Mike Davis, a father and Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) pilot, recently helped save the life of a four-year-old girl named Frieda who lives in Papua New Guinea (PNG), one of the 25 developing countries MAF serves. Frieda had acute flaccid paralysis, had become paralysed from the neck down and was unable to breathe on her own due to the disease affecting her respiratory muscles. Captain Davis managed to get Frieda from the Kudjip Mission Hospital in the Jiwaka Province to Port Moresby's General Hospital, which can only be reached by air. In a situation like this a father would do anything to save his child's life, which is exactly what Frieda's dad did. With the help of his wife and four medical staff he kept Frieda alive by using manual ventilation to help her breathe during the hour-long flight.

Thankfully Frieda survived due to the excellent care she received from Port Moresby's General Hospital and the life-saving flight MAF provided in a region where air travel the single most important form of transport.

Isolated people physically and spiritually transformed in the name of Jesus Christ

This Father's Day we're offering you the opportunity to help make more of the emergency medi-vacs flights, that you read about in our story, a reality.

- + Donate to MAF and give the inserted jerry can card to the dad in your life for Father's Day or his birthday
- + Fill in the response slip and post it back to MAF or email us to let us know how much you donated so we can acknowledge your gift
- + If your donation is greater than R100 we will send you a jerry can key ring which you can give to the dad in your life along with the card



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