

Queen Elizabeth Opens Up About 'the King She Serves'

English royalty rarely speak of their beliefs, but Queen Elizabeth II has written about her religious faith in a foreword to a new book titled *The Servant Queen and the King She Serves*.

"I have been—and remain—very grateful to you for your prayers and to God for His steadfast love," Queen Elizabeth wrote. "I have indeed seen His faithfulness."

The Bible Society will publish the book in April marking the queen's 90th birthday.

Three Christian charities—HOPE, the Bible Society and LICC—teamed up to write the book, which gives readers a glimpse into Her Majesty's religious beliefs.

The book will not be used for commercial gain, a condition that had to be met in order for the queen to agree to write the foreword.

In the foreword, she also refers to problems in the Middle East, saying the world is seeing suffering on an unprecedented scale.

The queen is supreme governor of the Church of England.

"So to have a monarch who talks openly about Jesus in a very relaxed and natural way, we find that a huge encouragement and hope that Christians across the country will take a leaf out of the queen's book and learn to talk about Jesus in a natural way with friends, relatives and colleagues so people can discover more about what it means to be a follower of Jesus," co-author Catherine Butcher, from HOPE, told .