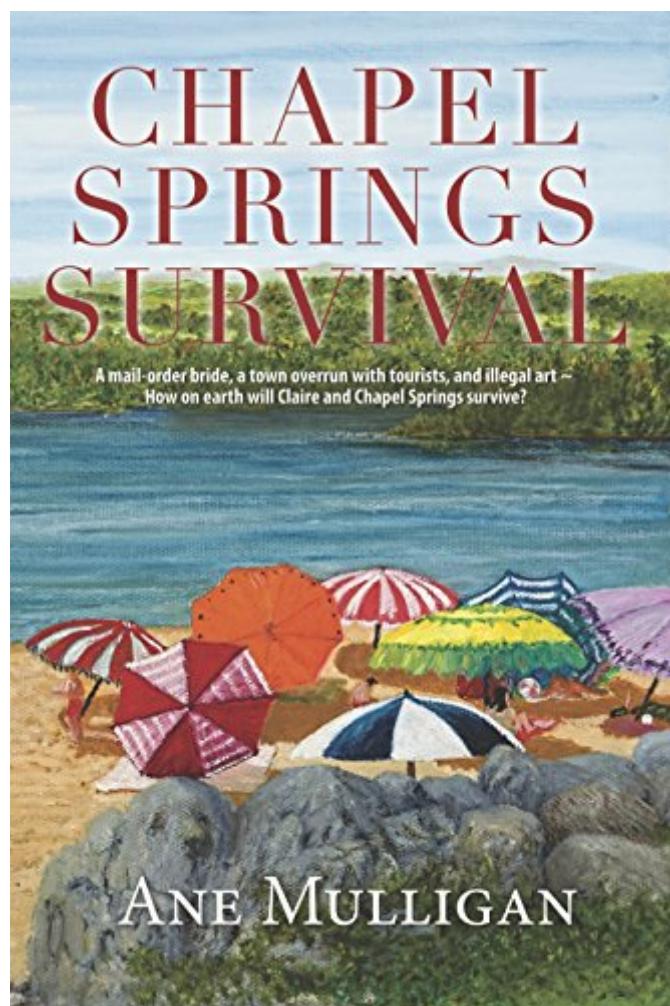


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# Chapel Springs Survival - A Mail-order Bride And A Town Overrun With Tourists. ~ How On Earth Will Claire Survive? (Southern Fried Fiction)



## Synopsis

A mail-order bride, a town overrun with tourists, and illegal art ~ How on earth will Claire and Chapel Springs survive? With the success of her Operation Marriage Revival, life is good for Claire Bennett. That is until the mayor's brother blabs a secret: Claire's nineteen-year-old son, Wes, has married a Brazilian mail order bride – one who is eight years older than him. When Claire tries to welcome her new daughter-in-law, she's ridiculed, rebuffed, and rejected. Loving this girl is like hugging a prickly cactus. Will Claire and her family survive her son's marriage? Lydia Smith is happily living alone and running her spa then the widow on the hill becomes a blushing bride. Along with her new marriage, she has a dream to expand her business by adding guest rooms. Things are going according to plan. That is, until her groom's adult son moves in on everything. Will her dream survive her stepson? From the first sighting of a country music star in Claire's gallery, The Painted Loon, to the visit of a Hollywood diva, Chapel Springs is inundated with stargazers, causing lifelong residents to flee the area. When her best friends, Patsy and Nathan, put their house on the market, Claire is forced to do something or lose the closest thing to a sister she's got. With her son's future at stake and the town looking to her to solve their problems, it's Claire who needs a guardian angel.

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## Customer Reviews

This book will touch your heart â  and your soul â  with the humor, love, and patience Claire brings to Chapel Springs. I was caught up in the story from the first sentence . . . and my emotions were engaged until the very end, when the tears began to flow once again â  happy tears this time. Claire and Patsy, our favorite characters, are back. And just when you thought things were getting better â  they get worse! What can they do to help? Donâ t worry . . . Claire has lots of ideas.

Unfortunately, they tend to backfire at times. Thereâ s something special about Chapel Springs, and the residents weâ ve come to love. Ane Mulligan has created characters that are so true-to-life, Iâ m a bit envious of them. Iâ d like to have such dear friends â  and you probably would, too. Weddings, marital issues, business concerns, friendships . . . they faced these and more in the first story. Now theyâ re faced with different challenges, but Claire and Patsy know exactly who to go to when the going gets tough. And HE speaks to them the words they need to hear. More than anything, I want to encourage you to read the Chapel Springs series . . . it has exactly what you need to help you find encouragement to face your problems head on! Honestly, I didnâ t expect such a wonderful ending. I love Aneâ s writing, but this ending . . . well, it brings tears to my eyes just to remember how awesome it ends. Ane Mulligan brings Chapel Springs to life with humor, love, and lots of great characters. This is an excellent series! I will definitely be reading anything written by Ane Mulligan! God bless you!

Ane Mulliganâ s Chapel Springâ s Survival is more than entertaining. After reading Chapel Springs Revival I couldnâ t wait to pay the town a visit again. Chapel Spring seem to have a whole new string of dilemmas thanks to tourism taking the place by storm. In the midst of the humor Ane weaves some relatable family and community scenarios. Claire Bennett continues to embarrass herself in public. Her best friend Patty and her ever patient husband Joel continue to rescue her. This novel has a more mature Claire determined to do things Godâ s way. Her internal battles often spill out in the world around her. I love reading about parents of adult children who are still in love or newlywed older couples dealing with family drama they donâ t want or need.. This story has these elements with some enticing plot twist. Add a new daughter-in-law via cyber dating and things really heat up. I have delightful daughter-in-laws both born in foreign countries with customs so different from my own. Claireâ s concerns were so relatable and Costyâ s fears

believable. Not to mention lots of laugh out loud moments and poignant ones that touched my heart and feed my spirit. Ane Mulligan has created a community I'd love to visit. I am so looking forward to joining the ladies of Chapel Spring on their next adventure.

This was such a fun book! Not only trying to figure out what is going on, but I enjoyed the small town friendships. After building up the tourist trade in the last book, this book has tourists over-running the town and making the locals crazy. With the threat of a big chain hotel trying to buy land and get permits to build, the locals are in fear of losing their small town shops. Claire's son starts by hiding himself in his room and then drops out of college. What Claire thinks is awful, but the reality turns out to be worse! He's married a girl from Brazil and now that she is here, Costy hates her mother-in-law, Claire can't do or say anything right! She tries everything to win her daughter-in-law over, but nothing works- so Claire prays and hands it over to God (again and again and again). At the same time Claire is trying to find out about this hotel- and stop it. Then Claire gets arrested! The Christmas walk was nice. When things all get sorted out, I have to admit- the explanation of Costy's disdain was so funny and believable! Although this book is part of a series, it does well by itself, though I recommend reading the first book, so you don't miss out on any of the fun! I was given a copy of this book for my honest review.

Having read Chapel Springs Revival, I purchased the Kindle version of CS Survival after its release. But I'd downloaded several books before that, and I've been reading so slow lately--often skimming to get through them or flat out jumping ahead--I jumped at the chance to receive an audio version in exchange for an honest review so I could enjoy the story while driving to and from my new job. I wasn't sure how I would like listening to a novel, but I loved it so much, and it enhanced the story so well, I may get a monthly Audible subscription. In Chapel Springs Survival, Ane Mulligan deepens characterization and life in the quaint, fictional town of Chapel Springs, Georgia. Where Revival focuses on Claire's, Patsy's, and others efforts to save the town from economic ruin, Survival features their efforts to save the town from an overrun of tourists as well as the characters' relationships with their children--seeds that sometimes landed far from the tree. Thanks to the audio version, I caught nuances I would have missed had I skimmed the book. I absolutely loved it and look forward to the next release in the series.

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