



**Amazon Book Description:** "What would make you come back?" the Chinese people asked. "What is so important that you would risk your life to tell us?" Jonathan eagerly explained to them what had brought him back to China, even after so many foreigners had been killed: the need to share the gospel. As a poor Canadian farm boy, Jonathan Goforth had no idea that he would spend most of his life braving disasters, danger, and disease to share God's love with the people of China. But when God led him to do just that, nothing, not even the violent Boxer Rebellion, would stop Jonathan and his family from answering God's call. Making their home in China, the Goforths opened their doors to as many as five thousand visitors a month, all of whom heard the gospel message. Their nearly fifty years of service to a nation in need would leave behind a legacy of many thousands of Chinese Christians.

**Kanon Book Review:** The story of Jonathan Goforth is one of my favorites of all time. I was so moved by reading this book and reading of how God mightily used this man. He grew up in Canada, but spent his life preaching the Gospel in China. He literally preached the good news of Christ to hundreds of thousands of people. What made the book especially interesting to me was that towards the end of his life he ministered in the at the time Japanese controlled province of Manchuria. This province is now the current Northeast Region of China. The Northeast Region of China is where I got to spend my six months doing a missionary training internship. What amazed me about Jonathan`s life was the amount of time he spent preaching. He used the novelty of his home to draw a crowd and would spend like 10 to 12 hours a day preaching. His wife would also spend many hours each day teaching the Chinese ladies about the Gospel. He faced many hardships. Several of his children died from disease. He was forced to leave China under severe persecution during the Boxer Rebellion. He experienced many hardships and difficulties. It would have been easy to give up, but he faithfully taught God`s word and God gave him much fruit. He saw thousands of people come to Christ. Towards the end of his life at an extremely old age, he tried opening up a new work in Manchuria. God greatly used he and his fellow laborers efforts. When Jonathan left a couple of years before his death, he was able to leave several churches full of people that had recently come to Christ. I would give this book an outstanding review. It is one my favorite biographies of all time. It is an easy read that is highly worth it.