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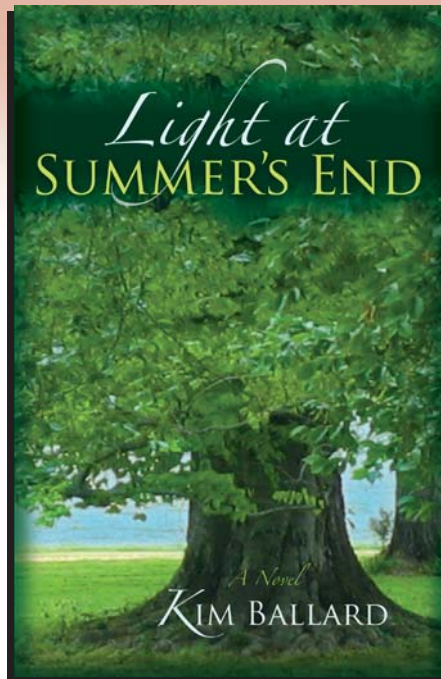
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Melissa cries herself to sleep the first night...and the next....and the next. Is Melissa just homesick, or is there something deeper going on? What on earth can an angry fourteen-year-old and a retired English teacher have in common?



**KIM BALLARD**, also the author of *Julia's Quest*, graduated from Wheaton College with a B.A. in English Literature and completed her Masters work in English Literature at the University of Central Arkansas and the University of Georgia at Athens. As a literature and writing teacher, she enjoys passing on her passion for World Literature, American and British Literature to junior and senior high-school students.

*"Light at Summer's End* is dedicated to all the children who grieve the loss of their siblings because of abortion," Kim says. "The story explores the power each of us has to face painful things in our lives. Yet, God never leaves us alone in our struggles, but provides the right people at the right time to enrich us and enable us to heal."

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