TRAVELLIN' SHOES

Reader's Guide

1. All of the titles in the RJ Franklin series come from Negro Spirituals. Have you ever heard this song before?
2. This series includes soul food recipes. How would you define "soul food?" Have you ever had it? If so, what's your favorite?
3. RJ Franklin is undergoing a crisis of faith due to an incident with a car accident. Have you ever had a situation challenge your faith?
4. Who was your favorite character in this book?
5. Which character did you like least?
6. What were your thoughts of the setting? Did the church community seem realistic? Have you ever attended a church similar to First Baptist Church?
7. RJ notices a hierarchy of seating at Mama B's house. Have you ever noticed a similar event that happens unconsciously?
8. Thomas Warrendale aka Tye Warren runs away from his old life and starts over in a new environment. Have you ever thought of doing this? How difficult do you think it would be to do, given the digital age in which we live?
9. Judge E.L. Browning wants RJ to teach a law enforcement class to college students. How do you think law students will respond to a police officer as an adjunct professor?
10. Paris Williams runs two beauty salons. One is more luxurious than the other. Have you ever been in a place like either of her salons? Did the stylist dialogue and behavior ring true?