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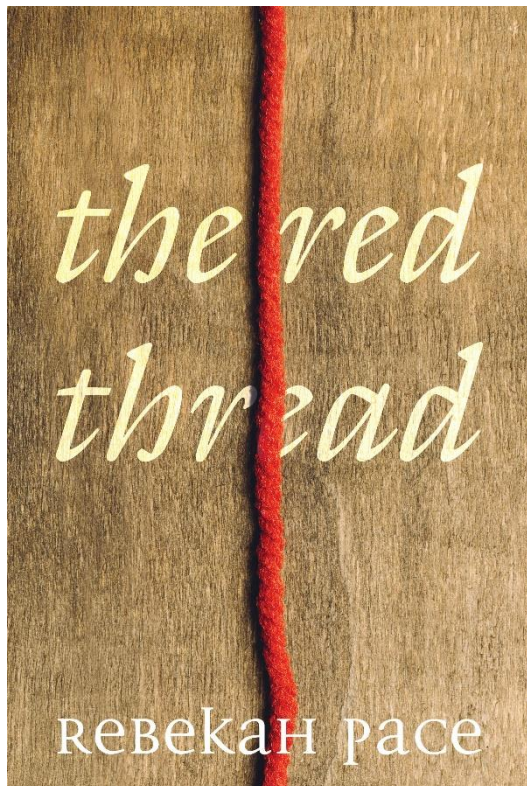
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## **From the Holocaust to China, Rebekah Pace's Debut Novel Bridges Cultural Divides**

*As political affiliations threaten to tear people apart, Pace reminds readers that we're all connected.*



JAMUL, CA (August 2020) – Author Rebekah Pace introduces a compelling literary novel called **The Red Thread**. It follows a 90-year-old Holocaust survivor's journey to conquer fear and find his long-lost love. Passionately written, Pace drew inspiration from the ancient Chinese proverb known as the “red thread of fate,” and inspires readers to see the human connection that strings across the world.

Pace acknowledges the all-time low relationship with China, but hopes this book is a bridge into Chinese culture. Former Deputy Secretary of State of the U.S., James B. Steinberg, said “trying to put it in a box or relate it to the past historic relations misses the richness and the complexity of the US-China relationship we have today.” That was 5 years ago, and is still relevant today as tensions rise due to COVID-19 and continuing sociopolitical policies.

The COVID-19 pandemic has certainly pulled the red thread tighter across the world as people look to these world powers for help. Pace believes there is an

opportunity to explore Chinese culture and bring the topic of human connection closer to the center of discussion.

The protagonist of **The Red Thread**, Peter, feels the pull of fate across the ocean. As a Holocaust survivor, his story spans the globe, and eventually leads to Shanghai where he finds help from the most unlikely allies. Smart, thoughtful, and visually stunning, Pace brings readers



to the streets of 1930s Leipzig, Germany, and to present day Shanghai. Readers resonate not only with the love story, but with the people along the journey that help a stranger find his long-lost love.

In **The Red Thread**, 90-year-old Peter lives alone in a broken-down New Jersey neighborhood. His tiny apartment sports the same furniture, black-and-white TV, and rotary phone that it did when he settled in the 1950s. Peter is just fine with the nothingness of his life.

And then the dreams begin of his childhood sweetheart, Mira, clear as the day he last saw her. Right before she disappeared without a trace from the camp at Theresienstadt Ghetto.

It's as if she is beckoning him to come find her. Begging Peter to venture out into a world he has hidden from all these years, to save her from a mysterious, dark force threatening to overtake her. And as his dreams become more real, and Mira's danger more imminent, Peter sets out on a most unusual adventure to save her and to re-engage with a world that has passed him by.

**The Red Thread** states that lovers, destined for each other, remain connected through space and time by a red thread. As Peter is led across the globe in search of Mira, he'll finally confront the mysterious force that is closing in on her. Rebekah Pace delivers a beautiful love story that bridges cultural divides.

If you liked *Revolutionary Road*, you'll love this book.

**“Incredibly striking. The emotion within these pages is palpable.” –Screencraft**

**Rebekah Pace** was a lost soul wandering the infamous Wells Street in Chicago when a traveling street mission from the small town of Clifton, Illinois, saved her soul and she was reborn in Christ. Now writing from her Victorian bed and breakfast, she enjoys telling stories that celebrate the important lessons to be learned from Christ by believers and non-believers alike—unique and powerful stories that entertain, uplift, and inspire.

Originally founded in 2006 with a focus on poetry, Level 4 Press has won nine literary gold medals and 24 finalist awards, including Forward Magazine Audiobook of the Year; Poetry Foundation Best Verse Drama; Bill Fisher Award for Best New Fiction; USA Book News Best Audiobook; Indie Excellence Awards for Best Poetry and Best Current Events Book; and Forward Magazine Book of the Year finalist.

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