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## **Domestic Violence and Abuse against Women Highlighted in Debut Fiction**

*Decorated author narrates woman's struggle during and after trauma*

**LOS ANGELES.** —Theology professor and entrepreneur Dr. Melveena D. Edwards narrates a story of domestic violence and abuse in her debut fiction, "[The Paradoxical Union: A Way to Escape!](#)"

Set in Manhattan, New York in the early 1980s, the book follows the tribulations of Paris Hope, a woman with big aspirations who falls in love with a powerful man. What she thought was a perfect match, in the beginning, turned into a nightmare — a twisted marriage riddled with cruelty and aggression. She has no other choice but to escape. But the trauma she has endured continues to taunt her — breaking her resolve and spirit. She struggles to surpass them all until she musters the courage and faith to move forward.

Edwards is the narrator of the story. She sojourns into the main character's struggles and relates them to her thoughts on violence culture that continue to plague today's society. She hopes her book will compliment the counseling work she has done in promoting greater awareness about an issue that affects countless women and men worldwide. The author is also a registered nurse, an ordained clergywoman, and has 11 academic degrees under her belt. Website: <http://www.mdemllc.org/>.

Authors Press will showcase "The Paradoxical Union: A Way to Escape!" at the [Los Angeles Times Festival of Books](#) to be held at the University of Southern California campus this coming April 13 to 14, 2019. Edwards' book will be exhibited at Authors Press' booth number 937. Readers from all ages, including filmmakers and movie producers, will get an exclusive preview of her work during the festivities. To get the latest update on authors, like and follow Authors Press on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

### [The Paradoxical Union: A Way to Escape!](#)

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