

Becca Anderson

When Becca Anderson graduated with a degree in journalism, she simply followed the tradition of other writers hanging on the family tree. As a freelance writer, she's been published in national and international trade journals, *Writer's Digest* magazine, special interest magazines and regional publications. In addition to writing articles, she has a passion for crafting meaningful fiction for the contemporary Christian reader. *The Gathering Place* grew from her own bout with spiritual deception in an aberrant church group. She and her husband now live in East Texas.

What people are saying about *The Gathering Place*:

A gripping story that could take place anywhere the leadership of the Holy Spirit is replaced by men and women with unholy motives, and followers who are not discerning. *The Gathering Place* is a book you won't be able to put down or to forget! I highly recommend it. – *Marlene Bagnall, Litt. D., Director, Colorado Christian Writers Conference.*

The spiritual journey of Casey Ellis is an all too frequent experience in American Christianity. Genuinely seeking a more intimate walk with God, Casey took what seemed to be the onramp to a spiritual highway to God. Many Christians are similarly enticed only to find themselves on the exit ramp to a spiritual dead end street. The key to avoiding this trap is to understand the truth about the relationship God wants to have with believers. Casey's story is a page turner. But it is also very instructive in how people find themselves entrapped in spiritual counterfeits. – *David Henke, Founder, Watchman Fellowship, Inc. (A Ministry of Spiritual Discernment)*

Haunting, intriguing, eerily close to reality... these are just a few words to describe Becca Anderson's intricately woven tale. Pull out your discernment antennae, folks, and prepare yourself for a journey into the twisted underworld of 21st Century religious manipulation at its finest. – *Janice Thompson, author, Hurricane*

From "New and Recommended" in the ChristianBook.com catalog, Spring 2006:

This psychological study of deception is fascinating! The plot tension grips you -- and won't let go -- as it starts breezily, gains momentum, sneaks up, winds up, and crescendos to a fever pitch. As the characters manipulate Scripture to suit their purposes or believe the manipulated message to fill their needs, you begin to sense just how people are lured into cults. A revealing look at this under-the-surface menace.

From Amazon.com reader reviews:

Gripping and believable. *The Gathering Place* is well written and totally believable. You will feel like these are people that you know. If you are a person who longs to experience God and who feels the traditional church leaves you hungry, you will identify with Casey. You will hurt as you see her being trapped and will rejoice as Becca Anderson skillfully moves the story to a satisfying conclusion. *The Gathering Place* has depth, purpose, value, and meaning and is just plain good reading. – R.M. King

Powerful and real. Wow. Great read. I didn't want to put it down – which is unusual for me. Surprises in the characters and plot were exhilarating and so true to the story of deception. I plan to get a copy of this book to a friend who lived out this story and has connections with some who still are. Makes even the mainstream Christian think about expectations of others. – Lisa Crum