

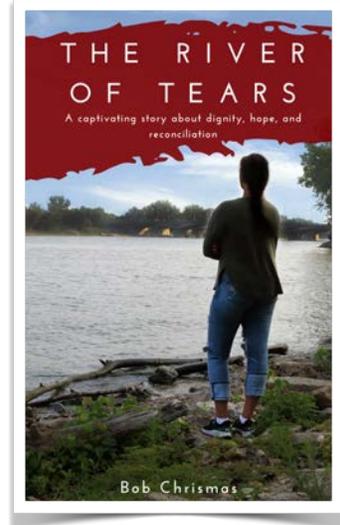
# The River of Tears

A Captivating story about dignity, hope, and reconciliation

**Bob Christmas**



Bob Christmas, Ph.D, MPA, BA, won the University of Manitoba Distinguished Dissertation Award for his Doctoral research on interrupting sex trafficking in Canada. With 35 years law enforcement experience, Bob consults and writes prolifically on social justice issues. Learn more about Bob at [BChristmas.com](http://BChristmas.com).



Join Dani Taylor and Detective Jack Bondar battling the clock together to overcome barriers and conflict as they become immersed together in the dark underworld of sex trafficking in Canada. You will gain deep insights into police challenges and psyche, Indigenous perspectives and issues, and what families go through when loved ones go missing.

Dani struggles and escapes a path she is on to die young in a gang or wind up in prison. Love drives Dani in the search for her missing kid sister. Detective Jack Bondar grows as he works with Dani and learns about the challenges of Indigenous peoples.

*The River of Tears* is a must-read for anyone wanting insights into missing and murdered women and girls, and policing.

It is a captivating story about dignity, hope, and reconciliation. It is about the river of humanity that flows through the impoverished core of every community, the river of tears.

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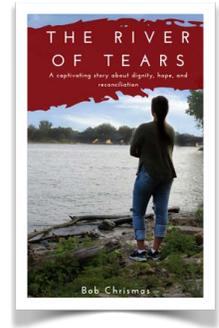
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“At a time of intense global social unrest predicated on historic and ongoing class and cultural inequalities, Bob Christmas' book, *The River of Tears*, shines a revealing light on the intricacies of our social dilemma and begins to create the framework for understanding, meaningful actions, and directs us on the path for mutual healing. Dr. Christmas' book is a must read for those involved in the pursuit of social justice at this pivotal time in history.”

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“Robert Christmas speaks from a deep well of experience in working as a police officer and in conducting doctoral research on the sex industry and the trafficking of young women and girls. This recent endeavour *The River of Tears* brings us ever closer to achieving a better understanding of this ongoing tragedy in our modern society.”

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“Bob Christmas has taken his professional criminal justice experience, his academic training, and his personal commitment to the very emotionally difficult reality of Missing and Murdered Women and Girls and transformed this into a solid fictional read. The meshing of reality and internal thought processes makes this novel a must read for anyone wanting insights into sexual exploitation. The character development is solid and emotionally vulnerable which is refreshing and genuine. The combination of years as a police officer and the human side is heroic and admirable. I have worked professionally with Bob for many years on this topic and respect that he has taken us inside the highway of tears.”

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