

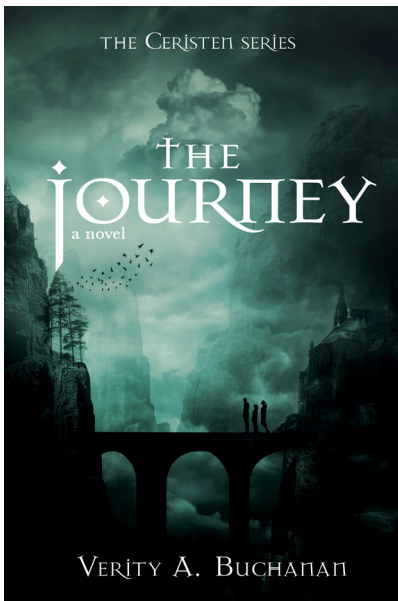


The Journey news release

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A FANTASY COMING-OF-AGE ADVENTURE THAT FOLLOWS THREE SIBLINGS STRUGGLING TO KEEP THEIR FAMILY TOGETHER AND SURVIVING THE DANGEROUS WILDERNESS IN THEIR QUEST FOR A HOME



RELEASE DATE: October 1, 2019
TRADE Paperback
PAGES: 216
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For immediate release: Young author Verity Buchanan wanted to capture her vision of what she discovered while playing a childhood game with her sister. Buchanan began *The Journey* (Ambassador International, October 1, 2019, \$15.99) and it has grown into something greater and deeper and more beautiful than she ever expected. She wrote it for the reason she writes anything: because she saw, heard, and discovered things she wants others to see.

Following the death of his great-aunt, Fred Thorne shoulders the responsibility he dreads and guides his sisters away from their poverty-stricken village and into the wild. Through outer peril and inner conflict, he must master his fear of himself, face his failures, and lead the Thorne family across the breadth of Legea in a search for safety and security.

About the Book

Fred Thorne must shoulder the full care and protection of his sisters after a fire leaves them homeless and friendless. He sets out to follow the last advice given to him by his great-aunt: Take the girls to Menevace, to the refuge home.

But the road to Menevace is fraught with bandits, famine, and unknown dangers.

The Journey follows the three Thorne siblings through rejection, captivity, and an increasing downward spiral of guilt as Fred fails time and time again to protect his family from the dangers of a hostile world.

Can the Thornes find a place of rest and safety? Will their journey ever end?

Dangerous cities, breathtaking creatures, and an incredible adventure awaits in this debut novel by Verity A. Buchanan.

About the Author

Verity A. Buchanan is the daughter of an Orthodox Presbyterian pastor and the oldest of eight children. Born in South Carolina, she moved to rural northern Michigan at age eight, where her only complaint is that there are no mountains. She makes up for this deficiency by scattering them liberally throughout her stories. Verity enjoys long walks, playing piano, and coming up with creative ways to describe light. She has completed an entirety of four books and two novellas set in Legea.

To connect with the author or request a review copy of *The Journey*, please contact publicity director Liz Burgdorf at media@emeraldhouse.com.

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Suggested Interview Questions for the Author:

1. How do you come up with your unique character names?
2. Which historical time period is your favorite to read or write about?
3. Do you share personality traits with any of your characters?
4. What's something you want to tell us about the world of Legea or *The Journey*?
5. How do you get writing done?
6. What's a movie you like better than the book?
7. Your sister played a large part in the development of Legea. How does the spirit of sister/siblinghood translate into your stories?
8. How do you write God into your stories?
9. What authors inspire you?
10. What is your favorite chapter in *The Journey*?

Endorsements:

This is a delightful read! Buchanan is a cunning fantasy wordsmith who weaves a powerful tale of family love and struggles in the midst of dangers within and without. *The Journey* is both figurative and literal—and Buchanan blends those elements well. It's easy to grow attached to the main characters, as they're three-dimensional, flawed, and remarkably sincere. She also offers both interesting and surprising twists along the way. It's a relatively short read and well worth your time.

Allen Steadham
Author of *Mindfire* and *The Jordan of Algoran* Series

The Journey by Verity Buchanan is a tale of change and growth where sorrow turns into joy, and mourning turns into dancing. It is packed full of adventure and conflict, and the relationship between the siblings within the story is deep and strong. *The Journey* is, at the core, a truly heartwarming story.

Katie Clark
Author of *The Enslaved* Series

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