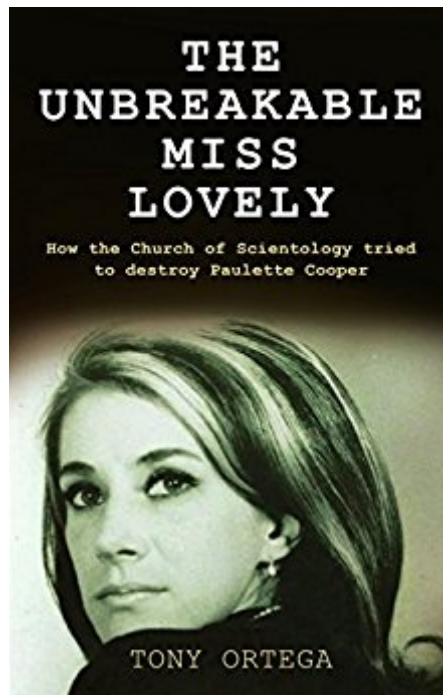


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The Unbreakable Miss Lovely: How The Church Of Scientology Tried To Destroy Paulette Cooper



Synopsis

In 1971 Paulette Cooper wrote a scathing book about the Church of Scientology. Desperate to shut the book down, Scientology unleashed on her one of the most sinister personal campaigns the free world has ever known. The onslaught, which lasted years, ruined her life, and drove her to the brink of suicide. The story of Paulette's terrifying ordeal is told in full for the first time in *The Unbreakable Miss Lovely*. It reveals the shocking details of the darkest chapter in Scientology's checkered history, which ended with senior members in prison, and the organization permanently damaged.

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Customer Reviews

Hollywood get ready! *The Unbreakable Miss Lovely* is absolute must reading for anyone who loves stories of true crime, inspiration, and heart-racing dramatic action. Author Tony Ortega takes us far beyond *Going Clear* in a rocket-propelled DC 8 to a mysterious world and drops us into an exploding volcano of new revelations. This fast-paced David and Goliath story taps into our deepest longings and turns up the suspense until the startling end. When Paulette Cooper, a smart and beautiful young Holocaust survivor struggles to make it as a writer in New York, she is bullied,

threatened, and terrorized by a rapacious criminal enterprise seeking her total ruination. How did she survive the onslaughts of insidious deception and callous brutality cloaked in the guise of a religion? The Unbreakable Miss Lovely is the shocking true-account of journalist Paulette Cooper who shined a spotlight on the Church of Scientology back in the 1970s with a bestselling paperback called "The Scandal of Scientology." For telling the truth she nearly paid with her life.. I'll be very surprised if a Hollywood bidding war for the film and television rights to this story is not already taking place.

Tony Ortega, in his first book, has hit it out of the ball-park. This book has it all - sordid doings and nefarious behaviour by a "church", a beautiful and courageous heroine alone against a powerful and vengeful enemy, shocking twists and turns, a host of details never revealed before. I devoured the book. It is well paced, well written, deeply researched by a first-class reporter and very moving. It begs to be made into a blockbuster movie. Read it and weep that Scientology has a tax-exemption from the IRS. Read it and rejoice that "The Unbreakable Miss Lovely" is alive and well and that her story is told.

A powerful and poignant story about an extraordinary woman, and a cautionary tale of the dangers of absolutist delusional thought practiced by Scientologists called "Fair Game." Tony Ortega has pulled back the curtain fully, to expose the true face of this very destructive and dangerous group in this thrilling page-turner!

This book ought to be a fictional crime thriller but it's not fiction...the cult of Scientology, under orders from its paranoid leader L. Ron Hubbard, tried to destroy journalist Paulette Cooper because she wrote a book exposing some of their unethical and even criminal practices. The book is beautifully researched and impossible to put down. Even if you don't care about Scientology but are fascinated by crime thrillers, you will stay up all night reading this book. An amazing record of the experiences of an amazing lady.

As a frequent reader of the author's daily blog about the weird, wild world of Scientology (tonyortega.org), I was fully expecting the book to be well researched and chock full of interesting details that could only be unearthed through intrepid reporting and the benefit of four decades of perspective on the events. What I did not expect, and was very pleasantly surprised to get, was a fast paced but factually grounded thriller akin to a Michael Crichton novel. Crichton's skill was

blurring the line between the real and the not quite real in the scientific arena until the reader often forgot which was which. Ortega's skill is documenting the facts while simultaneously assisting the reader to understand the surreal nature of the events, particularly to those who experienced them firsthand. In this case, primarily Ms. Cooper. This was a thoroughly satisfying read that I would recommend without hesitation. Hopefully Mr. Ortega will find a suitable subject for a second book sometime in the future.

I would have give this book 6 stars if the pictures at

<http://tonyortega.org/paulette-coopers-story-in-photographs/> had been included. What I want to know is how a "church" was allowed to get away with the things they did to Ms. Cooper, and still do to their critics today? And why was it only by sheer chance the frame job against Paulette Cooper was uncovered? And most of all I want to know why is this "church" not only still getting away with these kinds of activities today, but as a 501(c)3 tax exempt entity to boot? Spend any time at all looking over Mr. Ortega's web page at <http://tonyortega.org> and it's obvious these types of activities are still going on. The shame is they are using tax free money to do it with, and that needs to stop. I highly recommend reading "Scandal of Scientology" before reading this book, then you'll understand why the Guardians Office, now called the Office of Special Affairs, freaked out the way they did. And engrossing, disturbing, and detailed look into the underbelly of Scientology. And an amazing story of the "Unbreakable" lady who lived through it. Highly recommended, and can't wait for the movie.

I was totally absorbed from about the third chapter on. "Scientology is always worse than you think" was demonstrated again and again. A major work of clarification, surprises, and tying historical events together. Ortega is one of the best working journalists ever.

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