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This powerful memoir documents the physical, psychological, and sexual abuse he experienced at the Fort Alexander and Assiniboia Indian Residential Schools in Manitoba during the 1940s and ’50s. The story’s hopeful ending sets an inspirational example for generations of First Nations following a similar path.

Theodore is a regular speaker and media commentator on Indian residential schools and has presented his best-selling memoir, Broken Circle, to more than 1,000 audiences in Canada and the United States. He continues to break new ground by supporting survivors and by seeking reconciliation directly with those who were perpetrators of his abuse. Theodore lives with his wife, Morgan, in Winnipeg, Manitoba.