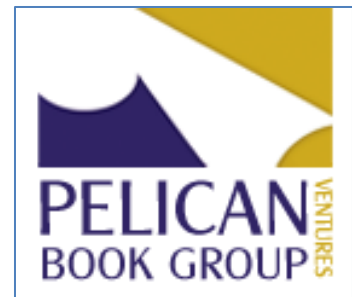


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Press Release

Pelican Book Group announces a distribution partnership with the second largest distributor in the U.S.

Aztec, NM --Pelican Book Group has announced a distribution partnership with Independent Publishers Group (IPG), the second largest book distributor in the U.S. The partnership will expand Pelican's distribution of e-books and paperbacks, offering longer print runs on select Pelican titles. Nicola Martinez, Editor-in-chief for Pelican says IPG's 40-year track record made an impression.



"I decided to sign with IPG because of the conversations I had with Mary Rowles, Publisher Development Manager at IPG," says Martinez. "I was not only impressed with what I felt IPG could do for our catalog, but also with the questions that were asked of me and the entire IPG side of the vetting process. As a publisher, I needed to know that a distributor would do more than just warehouse our inventory and fulfill orders. I was looking for a company that was also an advocate and a good steward of their own business. The fact that IPG is selective and wanted to make sure not only about the quality of our product but also that IPG had confidence in their ability to sell our books, impressed me greatly. That level of caution and commitment is why they have been successful and fiscally sound all these years. That's the type of company I want to do business with! I'm excited about this new partnership and can't wait to see where God takes it as we move into full-swing."

"IPG is very pleased to partner with such a well-established and respected publisher of Christian fiction," said Mary Rowles, Publisher Development Manager for IPG. "We were immediately impressed with the professionalism of the organization and the quality of the Pelican Book Group list. We look forward to introducing these books to the wider general audience they deserve."

Joe Matthews, CEO of IPG, stated, "Pelican combines the new world of social media savvy and niche marketing with traditional, long-term author development. Their books are well-edited with terrific production values."

Among the first of Pelican's 2016 full-length titles to be distributed by IPG are two novels from debut authors, and the next installment in the "Blithe Settlement" series from veteran reader-favorite, Deborah Pierson Dill.

About Independent Publishers Group:



Established in 1971, IPG was the first organization specifically created for the purpose of marketing titles from independent presses to the book trade. With consistent growth each year, IPG's success has come from supporting and encouraging the growth of its client publishers in the United States and worldwide. IPG has a wide reach in the market with its distribution of publishers with academic, Spanish-language, computer and general trade nonfiction and fiction titles. IPG was acquired by Chicago Review Press in 1987. Clients include publishers from the United States, United Kingdom,

Canada, Ireland, Israel, Spain and other countries. In the fall of 2006, the senior management of Chicago Review Press, Inc., the parent company of IPG, bought Trafalgar Square Publishing, Inc., the leading U.S. distributor of UK publishers. Trafalgar Square Publishing was founded in 1973 and distributes for clients such as Aurum Press, Canongate UK, Hodder & Stoughton, Headline, Orion Publishing, Random House UK and Simon and Schuster UK. Visit www.ipgbook.com for more information.

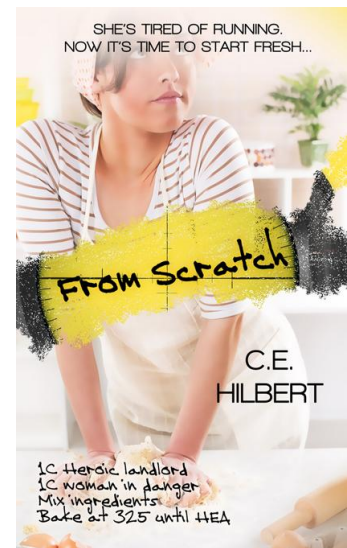
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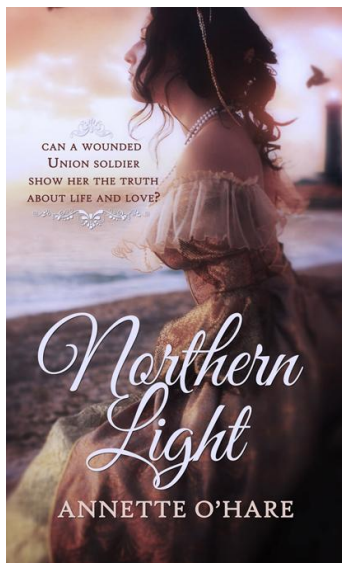
Pelican Book Group is a producer of Christ-centered fiction and is the first publisher to dedicate an entire new-adult romance imprint to promoting sexual purity. Headquartered in the Four Corners area of the United States, Pelican Book Group serves a global audience under its White Rose Publishing, Harbourlight, Watershed, and Pure Amore imprints. Founded in 2009, Pelican Book Group publishes numerous critically-acclaimed titles by award-winning authors from around the globe. Pelican Book Group was among the first to provide subscription-based e-books to the Christian marketplace. For more information, visit www.PelicanBookGroup.com.

About the first three 2016 Pelican novels to be released via IPG:

"From Scratch" by C.E. Hilbert (Romantic Suspense)

Synopsis: Maggie McKittrick loves everything about her new life in Gibson's Run, Ohio—her charming bakery, her quirky customers, her distance from the past. Yes, she loves everything...except her new landlord. Police Chief Sean Taylor is like a piece of sand in an oyster—irritating, but with the promise of something beautiful. Despite Maggie's self-imposed man-fast, she wonders what kind of treasure she and the lawman could create together. Sean Taylor likes to keep the peace, but his new tenant is making it nearly impossible to keep anything on an even keel—including his heart. Despite her sassy attitude, Sean is drawn to the beautiful pastry chef and has an overwhelming need to serve and protect her. As Maggie and Sean draw closer together, her long buried dreams about her life are reawakened into a hopeful prayer...until a threat from her past promises to destroy their future. Will Maggie be forced to run—again—starting fresh? Or will God answer her prayer and give her the happily-ever-after she's started from scratch?





"Northern Light" by Annette O'Hare (Historical Romance)

Synopsis: Civil War has robbed Margaret Logan of all she holds dear, including her beloved New Orleans home and her fiancé. When her family moves to the desolate Bolivar Peninsula to manage a lighthouse that is no longer there, all her hopes for a normal future are dashed. Her world is rocked once again when a wounded Yankee soldier washes ashore needing her help. Despite her contempt for the North, Margaret falls in love with Thomas Murphy. As their love blooms, Margaret's sister is overcome with neurosis, and her mind slowly slips away. Bitterness, psychosis and depression yield a decision fueled by contempt. Will one fatal choice cause Margaret to lose the man she loves and condemn Thomas to death?

"Not so Far Away" by Deborah Pierson Dill (Contemporary Romance)

Synopsis: Laurel Kerr lives each day fearing it could be her last. Years of pleading with God for deliverance from her husband's deadly temper have convinced her that she's beneath the Lord's notice. Still, she perseveres, hoping that a redeemed husband and a Christ-centered marriage might one day be possible. Dr. Boyd Wendall has a soft spot for Laurel. Although she's not his to take care of, she stirs his protective instincts. Time and again he finds himself in the midst of her trouble, and he can't help but believe there's a reason for it.

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