

## Author Biography

Naomi Douglas Davis is a psychotherapist licensed in NY, NC and SC. She is a native of Niagara Falls, NY, obtaining a bachelor's degree in Social Work from Niagara University. She received a master's degree in Social Science Administration from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Ms. Davis has worked in the mental health field for over twenty years with children and adults. For many years, she worked for the NY State Office of Mental Health. She volunteered in a community-based counseling center, and has maintained a private practice. She has been a contributing professional for the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle's Good Counsel column which is devoted to providing helpful tips on family and relationship issues.

"When people learn my profession, many wonder if I'm analyzing them, like I have some crystal ball that reveals all of their hidden secrets. They are totally unaware that the profession has caused me to be afraid of what goes on in many minds. Thus, the crystal ball is always hidden. So, don't be afraid; I don't know.

I began writing when my daughter was about eight year old. I always had a vivid imagination that could and would display itself to my family, friends, and co-workers. When I'd complete my impromptu, I'd inform everyone that it was a creation of my mind and not true. However, given the circumstances, my stories were not always appreciated. They called it 'lying.'

When I recognized that my daughter's 'lies' were a direct result of misunderstanding the expression of my imagination, I stopped verbally displaying my creativity and began writing. Everyone around me was grateful. Writing gives me control. The characters do exactly what I say, and the story ends exactly as it should. At least to me, it does.

I enjoy interacting with people and I want to know what you think about the book while you're reading. I invite you to share your feelings about the book, your similar experiences, and your constructive criticism. I want you to contribute ideas to the development of my next book."

Naomi lives in the South with her husband and new love. Their adult daughter is a 9-1-1 dispatch operator with a plan to enter the political arena to make a difference. Naomi is the seventh of eight children born to Paul and Frances Douglas. God and family are two things she was taught to value as a child. She wishes it was a universal lesson shared with all children.

