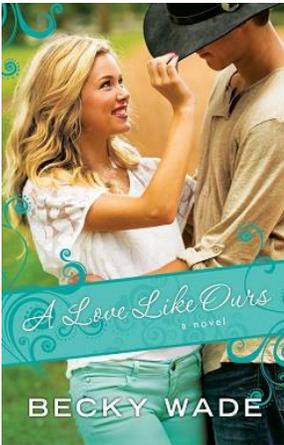

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PRESS RELEASE

Love might not always be enough, but it's a start

Becky Wade tells the story of a Marine struggling to overcome PTSD



Seattle: Becky Wade weaves a moving tale of the hope of *redemptive* love in her new book, **A Love Like Ours** (Bethany House/May 5, 2015/ISBN: 978-0764211096/\$13.99). In it she introduces us to former Marine Jake Porter, who carries scars far deeper than the one that marks his face. After serving his country in the Middle East, he returns home struggling with symptoms of PTSD. His pain causes him to live a solitary life, avoiding relationships even with his dearest loved ones.

All of this is challenged when Lyndie James, Jake's childhood best friend, lands back in Holley, Texas. Despite his misgivings, Jake cautiously hires her to exercise his Thoroughbred horses. He pairs her with Silver Leaf, a horse full of promise but lacking in results, hoping she can solve the mystery of the stallion's reluctance to run. Jake finds his old friend to be tender-hearted, fiercely determined and afraid of nothing — just like she was as a little girl.

Though Jake and Lyndie have grown into very different adults, the bond that existed during their childhood still ties them together. Against Jake's will, Lyndie's sparkling, optimistic personality begins to tear down the walls he's built around his heart. A glimmer of the hope Jake thought he'd lost forever returns, but fears and regrets still plague him. Will Jake ever be able to love Lyndie like she deserves, or is his heart too shattered to mend?

According to statistics from the Department of Veterans Affairs, 11-20 percent of veterans who served in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom have PTSD in a given year. "I'm extremely grateful to our veterans for their service," Wade says. "I cast Jake as my hero because I was moved by news stories I've seen and read throughout the years about service men and women who come home with physical injuries and/or disorders such as PTSD."

A portion of the proceeds from *A Love Like Ours* pre-orders and post-release sales through May 17 will go to support the [Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund](#) (IFHF), which builds centers on U.S. military bases to aid veterans in their recoveries from combat injuries. Wade selected this charity because IFHF goes beyond addressing physical rehabilitation, also helping with traumatic brain injuries and psychological health conditions.

Wade reveals she wants readers to walk away from *A Love Like Ours* with a renewed compassion for those who are hurting. "My desire is that this novel will remind readers that in God, there's always reason to hope. He has the power to redeem all things in His time."

Learn more about Becky Wade and *A Love Like Ours* at www.beckywade.com, on [Facebook](#) ([authorbeckywade](#)) or by following her on [Twitter](#) ([beckywadewriter](#)) or [Pinterest](#) ([beckywadewriter](#)).

Advance Praise

"Filled with genuine emotion and overflowing with positive examples of faith, the story captures the imagination while warming the heart."

~ [Publishers Weekly](#) starred review

"Being a horse lover for as long as I can remember, I had high hopes for this book, and Becky Wade not only did NOT disappoint, but served up her best book yet! Reuniting the Porter siblings with friends both old and new, Wade seamlessly blends threads of courage, sacrifice, hope, and family loyalty together with a double-dose of romance and a dash of *Seabiscuit*-style action to create a swoon worthy story that will leave you both cheering and weeping for joy. An absolute must read!"

~ Amy Drown, Fiction Editor, [The Christian Manifesto](#)

About the Author



Becky Wade is the Carol Award- and Inspirational Reader's Choice Award-winning author of *My Stubborn Heart*, *Undeniably Yours*, *Meant to Be Mine* and her latest, *A Love Like Ours*.

Wade and her husband lived overseas in the Caribbean and Australia before settling in Dallas, Texas. It was during her years abroad when Wade's passion for reading turned into a passion for writing. She published three historical romances for the general market then put her career on hold to care for her kids. When God called her back to writing, Wade knew He meant for her to turn her attention to Christian fiction.

These days Wade can usually be found trying but failing to keep up with housework, carting her kids around town, playing tennis, hunched over her computer, or collapsed on the sofa watching TV with her husband.

Keep up with Becky Wade at www.beckywade.com, on [Facebook](#) ([authorbeckywade](#)) or by following her on [Twitter](#) ([beckywadewriter](#)) or [Pinterest](#) ([beckywadewriter](#)).

Suggested interview questions

- What is the overarching theme of *A Love Like Ours*?
- Why do you think we're so susceptible to looking for hope in sources apart from God?
- How would you describe your writing style?
- Why did you begin *A Love Like Ours* with a prologue that gives the reader a glimpse into Jake and Lyndie's childhood?
- Jake Porter, the hero of your book, is an actual hero. He served with the Marines in Iraq and Afghanistan and now struggles with PTSD from his experiences overseas. According to statistics from the Department of Veterans Affairs, 11-20 percent of veterans who served in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom have PTSD in a given year. What motivated you to write this type of hero?
- Is love enough to help people overcome their PTSD symptoms?
- Not only does Jake suffer with PTSD, but he isn't a Christian, which causes stress in his relationship with Lyndie. How can a woman's desire to "fix" a broken man come back to hurt her?
- There's a subplot in *A Love Like Ours* about Thoroughbred horse racing. Did you learn something about horse racing you didn't know before while doing research for the book?
- Has bonding with and caring for horses proven to be therapeutic for those who have experienced trauma?
- Lyndie's sister has cerebral palsy and needs constant care. How did that help shape the person she became?
- Can you tell us about the family on which you based much of this story?
- Please tell us about the charity that is going to benefit from a portion of the sales of *A Love Like Ours*.
- In what way do you hope *A Love Like Ours* encourages its readers?

Becky Wade is available for interviews to promote the release of *A Love Like Ours*. To request a review copy, schedule an interview or for more information, please contact Audra Jennings, audra@lifusegroup.com.