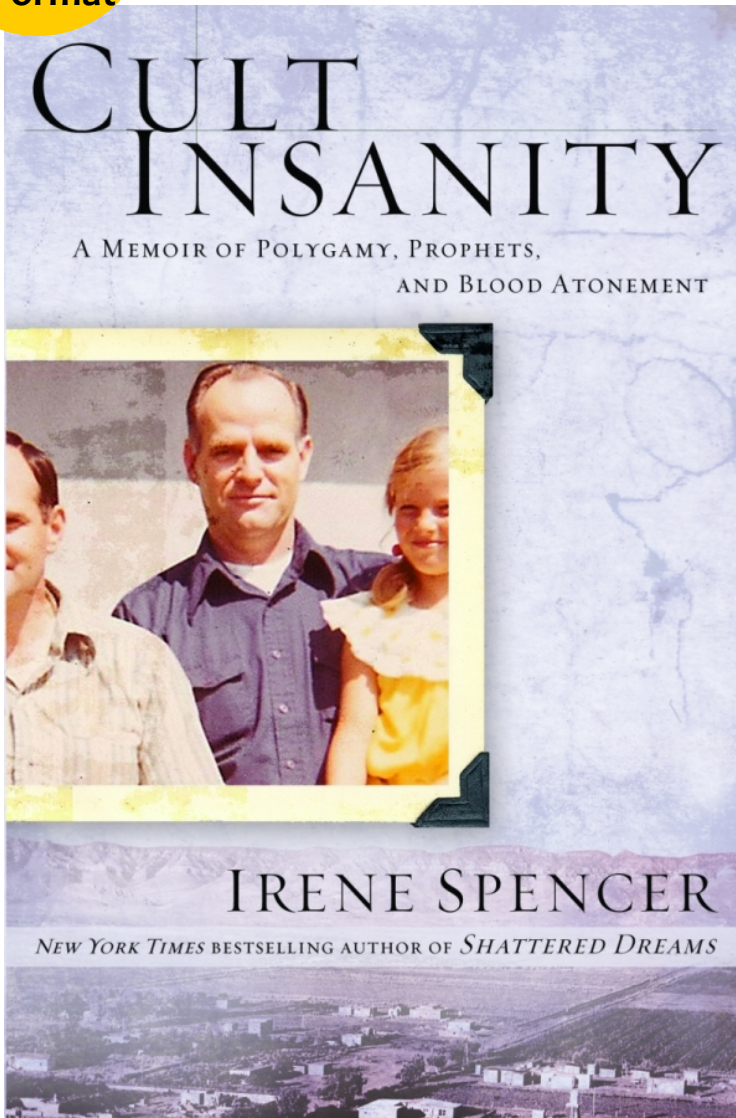


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IRENE SPENCER lives in Anchorage, Alaska, with her husband, Hector Spencer. During the twenty-eight years of her first marriage to a polygamous husband, Irene gave birth to thirteen children. Today she has 121 grandchildren and forty-nine great-grandchildren.

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