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## A Righteous Woman

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The heart-wrenching quest of two women, each linked to the memory of Hélène, a child hidden during the Occupation. A beautiful novel with two voices responsible for the memory, the paths of resilience, and the portrait of a Righteous woman.

The 1980s: Blanche is enjoying a peaceful retirement in the sun when, one day, a 20-year-old stranger knocks on her door. Her name is Pauline. Her mother, Hélène, has just died and she is frustrated as she knows nothing about her mother's past. Blanche knows the story, which is also her own. In 1942, she saved Hélène and other orphans from the camps and the Nazi threat. At great risk. Pauline goes with Blanche on a pilgrimage walking in her mother's footsteps. Pauline needs the return to her roots but for Blanche it revives the heartbreaking memory of a secret passion.