



On the Nine

Tony Bowers



On The Nine is a collection of short stories based on the neighborhood where Tony Bowers spent his most meaningful years. The Nine refers to the Greater Grand Crossing neighborhood on the south side of Chicago near 79th Street and it is there that Bowers sets his scenes as they jump through time from the late 70s to present day. Each story teaches a valuable lesson complete with rich, complex characters that speak to the authors understanding of the human condition. While The Nine can be a tough place to live in, it becomes apparent that even its most colorful characters only want a more beautiful life. And for most of them, theyre willing to do whatever it takes to get it - even if theyre not sure what the next day may hold for them and the people they love.

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