

# To Obama With Love Joy Anger And Hope: A Powerful Memoir of Hope, Resilience, and the American Dream

In her powerful and moving memoir, *To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope*, author and community leader Marian Wright Edelman recounts her extraordinary journey from a poor childhood in rural Alabama to becoming a successful lawyer and advocate for the poor and disenfranchised. Along the way, she shares her experiences with racism, sexism, and poverty, as well as her unwavering hope for a better future for all Americans.



## To Obama: With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope

by Jeanne Marie Laskas

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Edelman's story is one of resilience and determination. She was born in Bennettsville, South Carolina, in 1939, to parents who were sharecroppers. Her family was dirt-poor, and she and her siblings often went hungry. Despite the challenges she faced, Edelman excelled in school and went on to attend Spelman College and Yale Law School. After graduating from law

school, she returned to the South and began working with the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. In 1973, she founded the Children's Defense Fund, a non-profit organization that advocates for the rights of children.

Edelman's work with the Children's Defense Fund has had a profound impact on the lives of millions of children. She has been a leading advocate for early childhood education, health care, and nutrition programs. She has also worked tirelessly to end child poverty and discrimination. In recognition of her work, Edelman has received numerous awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Heinz Award for Public Service.

In *To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope*, Edelman shares her personal story with candor and grace. She writes about the challenges she has faced, the triumphs she has celebrated, and the lessons she has learned along the way. Her memoir is a testament to the power of hope and the importance of fighting for what you believe in.

*To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope* is a must-read for anyone who is interested in social justice, the American civil rights movement, or the life of one of the most influential women of our time. Edelman's story is inspiring, heartbreaking, and ultimately hopeful. It is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, we must never give up on our dreams.

**To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope is available now from all major booksellers.**

**About the Author**

Marian Wright Edelman is an American lawyer, activist, and author. She is the founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund, a non-profit organization that advocates for the rights of children. Edelman has been a leading advocate for early childhood education, health care, and nutrition programs. She has also worked tirelessly to end child poverty and discrimination.

Edelman has received numerous awards for her work, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Heinz Award for Public Service. She is the author of several books, including *To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope*, *The Measure of Our Success*, and *Stand for Children*.

## **Reviews**

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"To Obama With Love, Joy, Anger, and Hope is a powerful and inspiring memoir from a true American hero. Edelman's story is a reminder that we all have a role to play in making the world a better place for children." -

### **Barack Obama**



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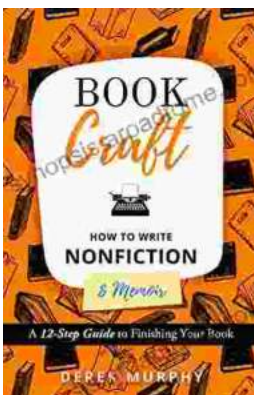
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