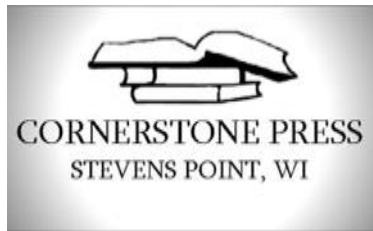
A painting of a church tower, possibly a bell tower, rendered in warm, earthy tones of orange, red, and yellow. The tower is set against a dark, textured background. A large, glowing, ethereal aura of green and blue light surrounds the tower, creating a sense of mystery and otherworldliness. The overall style is painterly and atmospheric.

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