



Raising Deaf and Hard of Hearing Kids

# TWISTS AND TURNS ON THE PARENTING JOURNEY

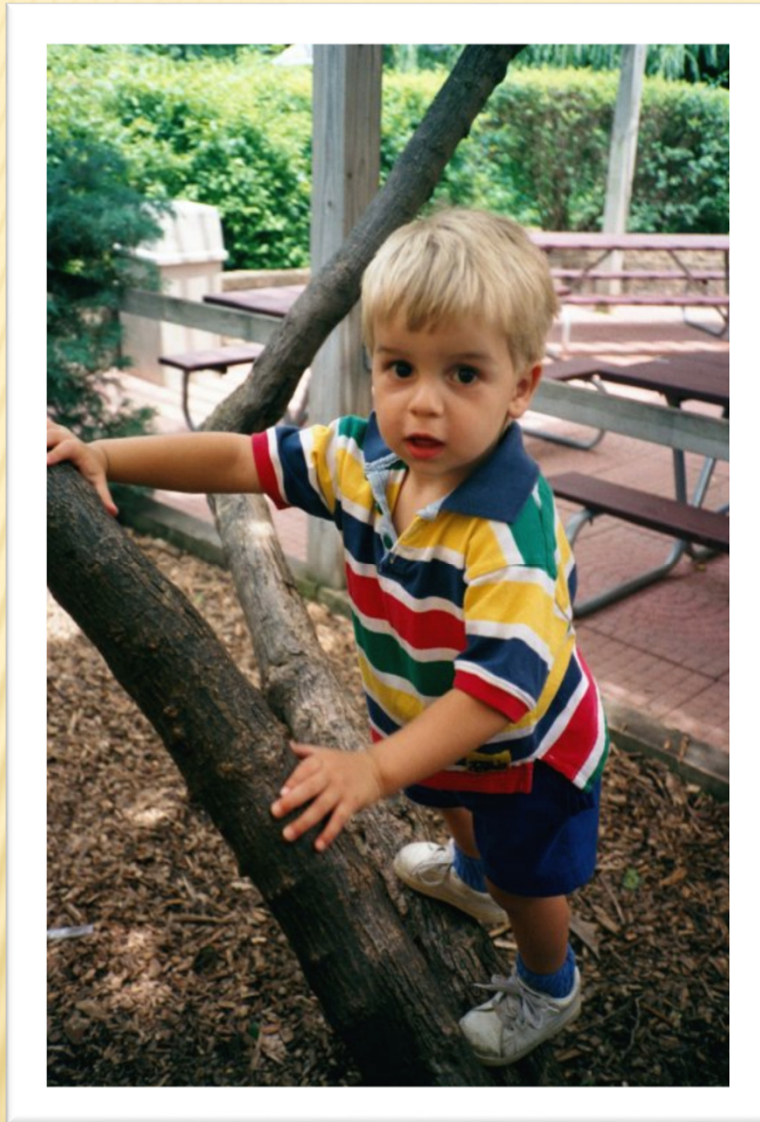
Karen Putz, M.A.  
Mom to David, Lauren and Steven



First, David...

Then, Lauren...





And then, Steven



Building a “Communication Toolbox”





Ten hearing aids + one dog = disaster.

**Why are you  
trying so  
hard to fit in  
when you  
were born to  
stand out?**





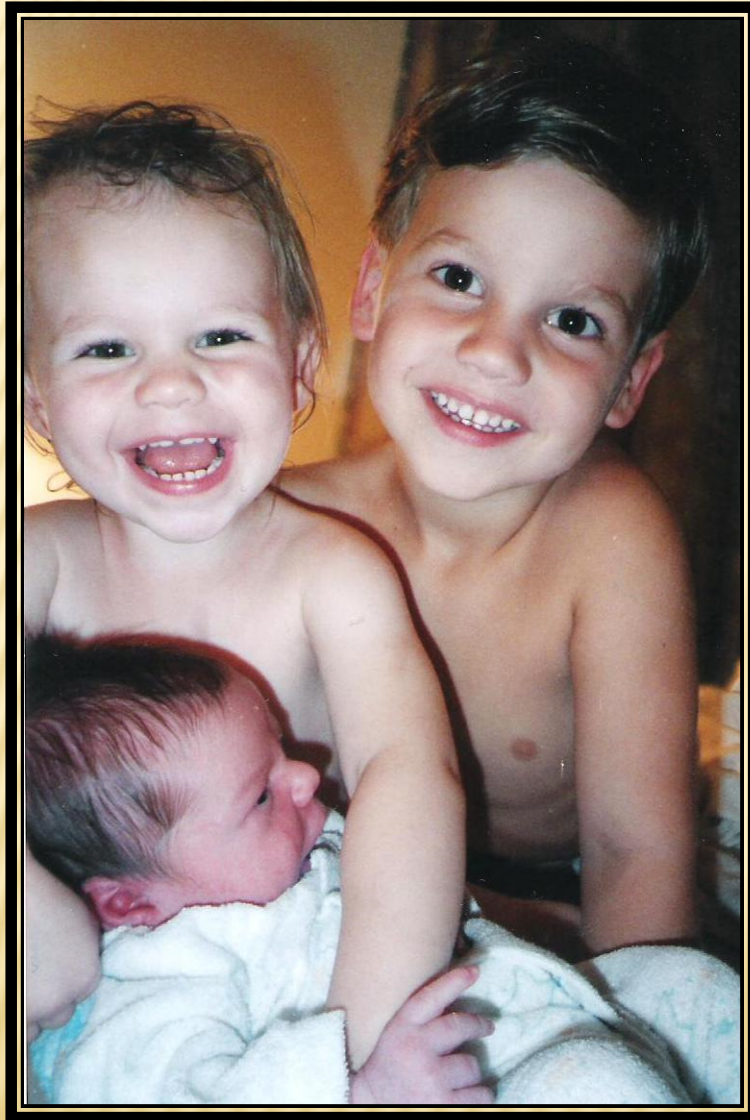


To 'let go' is not to be protective;  
it is to permit another to face  
reality.

To 'let go' is not to regret the  
past;  
but to grow and live for the  
future.

To 'let go' is to fear less  
and love more.

Anonymous



The road of life twists and turns and no two directions are ever the same. Yet our lessons come from the journey, not the destination.

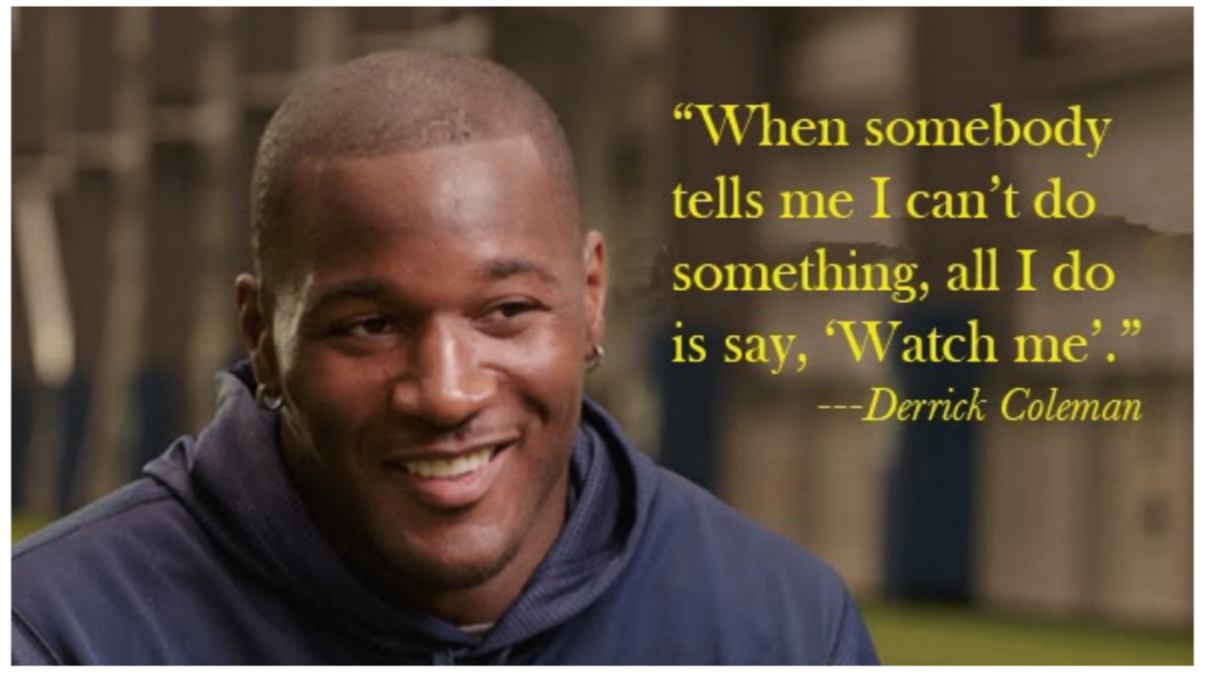
Don Williams Jr.



The marvelous richness of human experience would lose something of rewarding joy if there were no limitations to overcome. The hilltop hour would not be half so wonderful if there were no dark valleys to traverse.

Helen Keller

# I want to grow up to be...



# GENSHAI

*Genshai means that you should never treat another person in a manner that would make them feel small, yourself included.*

*From the book, "Aspire" by Kevin Hall*

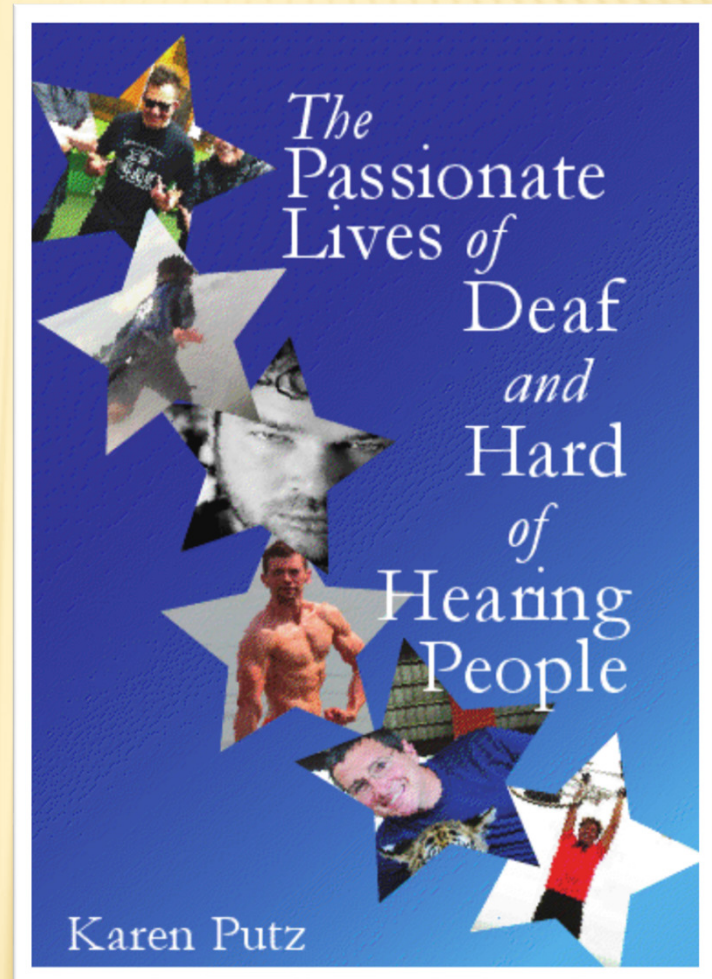
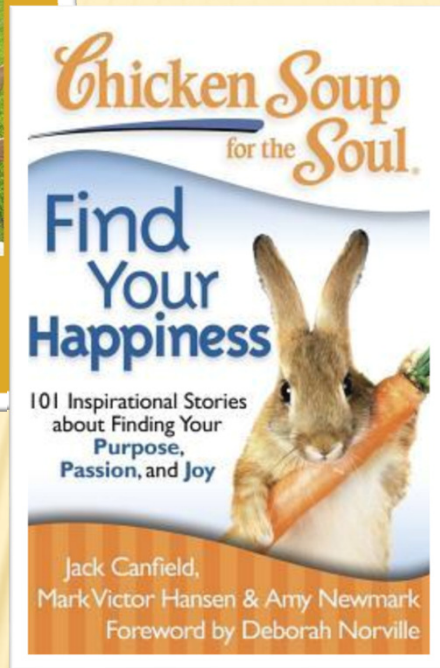
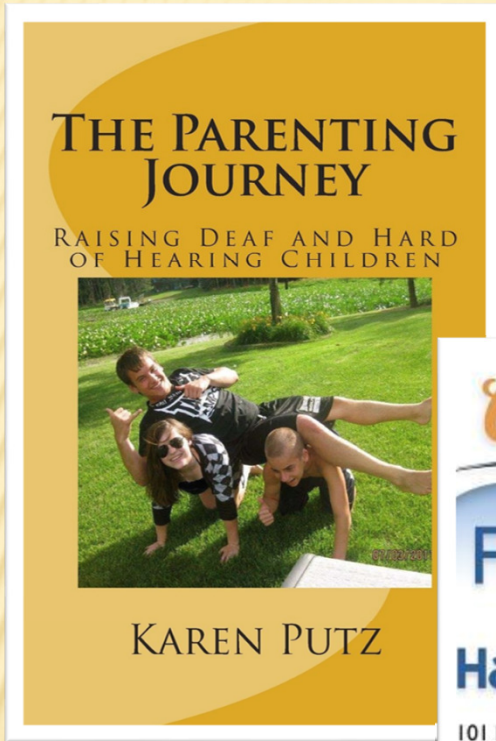
The child must know that he is a miracle,  
that since the beginning of the world there hasn't been,  
and until the end of the world there will not be,  
another child like him.

Pablo Casals





“You always loved me...no matter what...  
that was the most important thing.”



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