

The *71st* Annual

Christopher Awards



"It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

- Christopher motto -

Dear Friend,

Even though we couldn't gather together in person this year to celebrate your creativity, we hope you will enjoy this small remembrance of the outstanding work accomplished by you and your fellow Christopher Award winners. At a time when the world needs stories of faith, hope, charity, love and selflessness, your work has provided food for the soul. We applaud your gifts and talents, and wish you many more years of lighting candles in the darkness!



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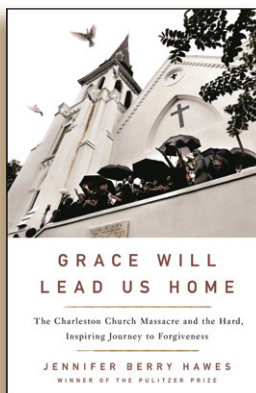
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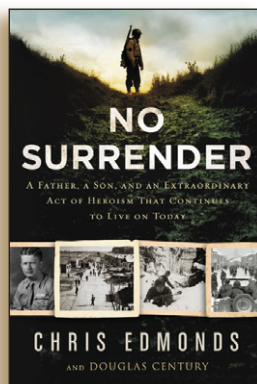




Grace Will Lead Us Home:
**The Charleston Church Massacre and the
Hard, Inspiring Journey to Forgiveness**

(St. Martin's Press)

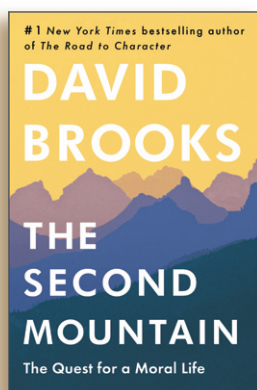
by Jennifer Berry Hawes



No Surrender:
**A Father, a Son, and an Extraordinary Act
of Heroism That Continues to Live on Today**

(HarperOne/Harper Collins)

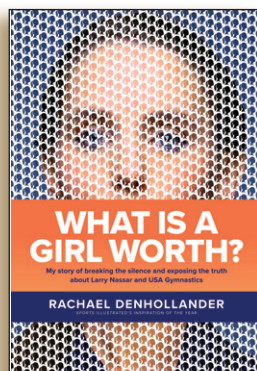
**by Chris Edmonds and
Douglas Century**



The Second Mountain:
The Quest for a Moral Life

(Random House/Penguin
Random House)

by David Brooks

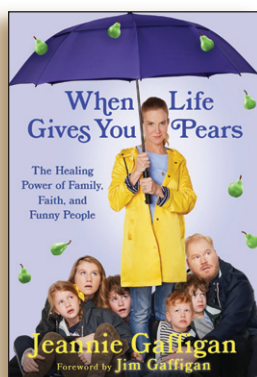


*What Is
a Girl Worth?*

**My Story of Breaking the
Silence and Exposing the
Truth About Larry Nassar and
USA Gymnastics**

(Tyndale Momentum)

by Rachael Denhollander



When Life Gives You Pears:
**The Healing Power of Family, Faith,
and Funny People**

(Grand Central Publishing/
Hachette Book Group)

by Jeannie Gaffigan



Preschool and up

One More Hug

(Aladdin/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing)

**by Megan Alexander,
illustrated by Hiroe Nakata**

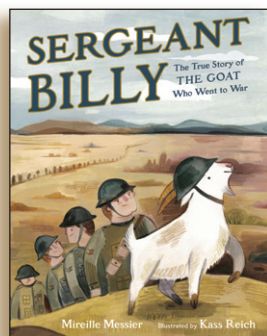
**Kindergarten
and up**

Sergeant Billy:

The True Story of the Goat Who Went to War

(Tundra Books/Penguin Random House)

**by Mireille Messier,
illustrated by Kass Reich**



Ages 6 and up

Gittel's Journey:
An Ellis Island Story

(Abrams Books for Young Readers)

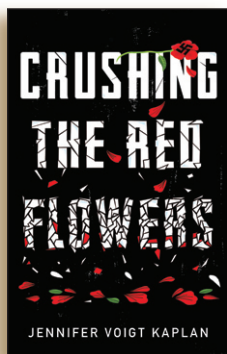
**by Lesléa Newman,
illustrated by Amy June Bates**

Ages 8 and up

The Pumpkin War

(Wendy Lamb Books/
Penguin Random House)

by Cathleen Young



Ages 10 and up

Crushing the Red Flowers

(IG Publishing)

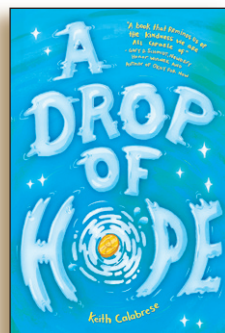
by Jennifer Voigt Kaplan

Young Adult

A Drop of Hope

(Scholastic Press)

by Keith Calabrese



A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood

(TriStar Pictures)

Director: Marielle Heller

Screenwriters: Micah Fitzerman-Blue, Noah Harpster

Producers: Youree Henley, Leah Holzer, Peter Saraf, Marc Turtletaub



Just Mercy

(Warner Bros. Pictures)

Director: Destin Daniel Cretton

Screenwriters: Destin Daniel Cretton, Andrew Lanham

Based on the book by: Bryan Stevenson

Producers: Gil Netter, Asher Goldstein, Michael B. Jordan

Executive Producers: Bryan Stevenson, Mike Drake, Nijja Kuykendall, Gabriel Hammond, Daniel Hammond, Scott Budnick, Jeff Skoll, Charles D. King

The Peanut Butter Falcon

(Roadside Attractions)

Directors: Tyler Nilson, Michael Schwartz

Screenwriters: Tyler Nilson, Michael Schwartz

Producers: Albert Berger, Christopher Lemole, Lije Sarki, David Thies, Ron Yerxa, Tim Zajaros

Co-Executive Producer: Matthew J. Malek

Executive Producers: Carmella Casinelli, Manu Gargi, Aaron Scotti, Anthony Shriver, Timothy Shriver, Michelle Sie Whitten



ABC News World News Tonight with David Muir and Nightline:

Return to Normandy

(ABC News)

Correspondent: David Muir

Producers: Esther Castillejo, Robert Henault, Eric Noll, Roy Garlisi

Executive Producers:

Almin Karamehmedovic, Steven Baker



America ReFramed: Perfectly Normal For Me

(World Channel and American Documentary, Inc.)

Director: Catherine Tambini

Producers: Elizabeth Hemmerdinger, Catherine Tambini

Executive Producers: Laverne Berry, Sharon Hite

Supervising Producer for America ReFramed: Carmen L. Vicencio

Executive Producers for America ReFramed: Justine Nagan, Chris White, Christopher Hastings

College Behind Bars

(PBS)

Director: Lynn Novick

Producers: Lynn Novick, Sarah Botstein, Salimah El-Amin, Mariah Doran

Executive Producer: Ken Burns



Dolly Parton's Heartstrings: These Old Bones

(Netflix)

Director: Joe Lazarov

Writer: Jim Strain

Co-Executive

Producers:

Hudson Hickman, Lisa
Melamed, Joe Lazarov

Executive Producers:

Dolly Parton,
Sam Haskell,
Patrick Sean Smith



I Am Somebody's Child

(Lifetime)

Director: Janice Cooke

Writer: Camille Thomasson

Producer: Juliette Hagopian

Co-Executive Producers: Andrea
Buchanan, Regina Louise

Executive Producers: Howard
Braunstein, Ginnifer Goodwin,
Yvonne Chotzen



Two Turtle Doves

(Hallmark Movies and Mysteries)

Director: Lesley Demetriades

Writer: Sarah Montana

Based on a Story by: Ian Carroll,
Lesley Demetriades, Christine
Demetriades

Producer: Kevin Duda

Co-Producer: Devan Towers

Co-Executive Producer: Anthony Fankhauser

Executive Producers: Stan Spry, Eric Woods



The Christopher Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

—attributed to St. Francis of Assisi



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