

# Linda J. McCoy

AUTHOR, ACTIVIST AND MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER



*Engaging... Inspiring... Enlightening... Candid... Friendly ... a huge asset to any group looking for a one-of-a-kind speaker... and memorable* are some of the words used to describe Linda J McCoy.

"Never throw in the towel!" is what she ignites her audience to do. Uniquely pairing her deep understanding of Biblical truth and mother wit, she teaches and encourages others to defeat the giants in their life.

I am real and honest about me, my life and my faith because I want others to see what life with Christ in our present day is really all about", says Linda.

Linda is an overcomer who travels throughout the U.S. sharing her story of triumph and overcoming through faith in God. Her engaging style keeps her audiences wanting more as she shares her heart, passions and faith, relating incidents from her life that will touch you and make you laugh. She inspires, challenges and convicts her audience to stand in the Lord and defeat every obstacle life brings. She can tailor a message appropriate for many functions and the specific needs of your organization.

Linda is a beautiful, woman of God who fills many roles: professional speaker, published author, Chief Operating Officer for Darlin Publishing and 5 Loaves of Bread Ministries, whose mission is to educate, and empower others in how to care for their love ones with catastrophic injuries or long-term illnesses. She is the co-author of the inspirational book "I Heard A Voice Say, Never Throw In The Towel" and author of "Prayers That Matter". She is a mother and grandmother who has taken the tragic turns of her life and uses them to bring honor and glory to Jesus Christ.

Linda has been the guest speaker at Southern Regional Medical Center's event for Brain and Spinal Cord Injuries Support, Florida State Council of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World Conference, appeared on WATC TV 57's show Atlanta Live, multiple radio interviews and has been the featured speaker at numerous schools, churches, and nonprofit organizations.

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## Books



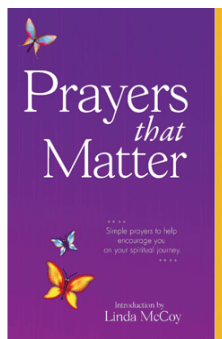
At nineteen, Darien Smith had his whole life ahead of him. He attended college, worked part-time, jogged every morning and loved to dance. But all of that changed in an instant, when an on-the-job accident left Darien paralyzed and left Linda to fight for his life. He took a fall of almost 20 feet, hitting his head on the way down. Instead of being rushed to the hospital, Darien was sent home to rest. He returned to work where he was again injured to the same area of the head during his effort to do the best job he could for this company. Again, he was sent home. Three months later, while at work, Darien complained of shooting pains from his neck into his head. This time, Darien was rushed to the hospital. When his mother arrived, he was unresponsive. After performing many tests on Darien the hospital finally found that an injury to his brain stem had left him paralyzed from the mouth down.

“They told me that Darien’s injury was more severe than any injury that they had ever seen,” wrote his mother Linda McCoy. “As they explained it: the specific injury had caused an infarct of the brain-stem and that no one had ever lived with an injury level that high.” No but Darien, his mother and their family expected Darien live.

“I went home to my mother’s house, knelt down in prayer and searched for answers, and said to God: ‘I taught my son everything you told me. To love you, to be a good man, everything, and he’s asking me why, and I don’t have an answer for why this happened’, wrote McCoy. “Then the Spirit said to me, ‘Go tell him to remember JOB’.”

Calling on her unwavering faith in God and her belief that love is the most powerful force in the universe, Linda fought tooth and nail for Darien’s right to live a full and productive life despite his injuries. When government and corporate agents refused him nursing care, housing and even his right to stay alive, Linda took them all on and brought Darien the justice he deserved. Handling adversity with patience and a will to thrive no matter how hard it might seem Darien and Linda continue to prove that anyone who trusts in God can triumph against any and all odds.

“I want readers after putting this book down to never give up... in particular younger readers, to not take life for granted, because tomorrow is promised to no one,” – Darien Smith.



*From author Linda McCoy:*

"The most valuable gift my mother gave me was the gift of prayer. She taught me how to pray and introduced me to a man named Jesus. For as long as I can remember, I have always had to pray to God for something. I've learned through experience that God hears and answers prayers from your heart. He hears the silent prayers as well as the out spoken ones... the volume is always the same. It doesn't matter how well you articulate, God will hear you and answer your prayers.

*Prayers that Matter* I've included some of my prayers and prayers of my friends' that will stimulate and encourage you to pray no matter what you're going through. This book will help you learn to pray as you continue on your spiritual journey.

## Some Prior Appearances

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April 12, 2012: Linda McCoy was interviewed by *Breathing Again Magazine*.

April 6, 2012: Linda McCoy was interviewed by *Social Networking for Women*.

February 15, 2012: Atlanta Day Shelter, Motivational Speaking and Signing



November 16, 2011: Linda McCoy was interviewed on *Atlanta Live* on WATC TV 57 along with The Sounds of Blackness.

October 25, 2011: National Association of Professional Women, Author's Showcase, Holiday Inn in Cobb County from 5:00-9:00pm



October 11, 2011: Guest Speaker at Southern Regional Medical Center for Brain and Spinal Cord Injuries Support

October 9, 2011: Linda was interviewed by Kevin Collins, WIGO AM 1570.



August 9, 2011: Linda and Darien made a special appearance and spoke at the Atlanta VA Hospital

July 27, 2011: National Association of Professional Women Expo and Uncommon Giant TV Interview



...and he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass and took five loaves and two fishes, and looking to heaven; he blessed and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. - Matthew 14:19

Our mission is to provide emotional, financial and advocacy support for individuals with catastrophic injuries or long-term illnesses and their families, in order to help keep them stable, functioning and able to cope. In addition we also provide financial support related to the research, prevention and care of such injuries. 5 Loaves of Bread

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### **Testimonials**

Dear Linda and Mary:

Along with my father, Jerry, I am writing to thank you for all the support, kindness and critical information you provided me as I recently found myself in need of the types of services your ministry provides. — From Craig Goodman.

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Dear Linda:

As I began to come to myself after over a year of hospitalizations, I discovered the unbelievable reality of paralysis. I was not able to feel or move my legs. Then I realized I could not talk – a tracheotomy kept my airway open. I had to learn to swallow, feed myself, and even write again. My words were scrambled in my head and on paper. By keeping the faith as I work and wait, I am improving daily. I just stay focused on God and His promises and a book that I read entitled ***I Heard a Voice Say "Never Throw in the Towel"***. I am compelled to live by the promise that the race is not given to the swift or the strong, but to he that endures to the end. I can also say with assurance that the prayers of the righteous availed much. Today and every day I claim complete healing in my body and life, because there is evidence of God putting "Super on my natural". — From Eric Moore, Sr.

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