The Writings of Dr. Alan Wolfelt

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NEW TITLES IN THE WORDS OF HOPE AND HEALING SERIES

Concise books of healing and comfort.
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A Message from Dr. Wolfelt

Welcome to our Spring/Summer catalog!

We have been delighted to see the response to the new Hope and Healing Series. The next release in this series focuses on the important topic of complicated grief. In addition, my hope is you will enjoy another contribution to this series that will help you cherish those that have gone before you. See page 3 for descriptions of these new resources.

Thank you so much for your positive response to my new editions of Understanding Your Grief Series. I’m humbled that there are hundreds of groups in North America and beyond that are using these resources to help people mourn well, so they can live well and love well. See pages 8-9 for descriptions of the Understanding Your Grief Series.

I’m also excited to share with you that I’m writing a new book titled, You’re Not Crazy - You’re Grieving: 6 Steps for Surviving Loss. In my many years as a grief companion, the most common question I have been asked is, “Am I going crazy?” Of course, you are not going crazy, you are experiencing grief. Please consider sending me any examples from your own grief journey that may have left you feeling like you were “crazy.” Please email me directly at DrWolfelt@Centerforloss.com

My “on road” teaching schedule for 2022 is completely full thanks to my many sponsors that host me in their communities. Because of demand, we are providing a number of virtual learning opportunities. Should your organization be interested in learning more about hosting a virtual keynote for a conference, a workshop for caregivers, or a public evening for the general public, simply email us at info@centerforloss.com

It is exciting that our Manager of Operations, Nicole Duggan, will complete her MBA at Colorado State University in May. Thankfully, she will continue in the vital leadership roles she has with the mission of our Center. As many of you know, she coordinates my speaking schedule, both virtual and in-person; oversees the training component of our Center; and manages the many details of our publishing company, Companion Press. Be sure to congratulate Nicole when you have the opportunity.

As I pen this message to you, COVID is moving into its endemic phase, and we are experiencing some hope for the future while mourning those we have lost to this tragic pandemic. Many of you in your caregiving roles have been asked over and over to go above and beyond. As we have lived through this challenging period of collective grief—we are reminded of the need to be compassionate companions to our fellow human beings, while also practicing excellent self-care.

Thank you so much making such great use of the grief support resources outlined in this catalog. Please stay in touch with us and be gentle with yourself...

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KEY TO SYMBOLS

- Look Inside - a look at an interior page
- Gift Book - indicates a book that makes an appropriate gift
- For Caregivers - indicates a title meant for professional and lay caregivers
NEW!
YOU’RE NOT CRAZY - YOU’RE GRIEVING

After a significant loss, it’s common to feel like we’re going crazy. The sudden absence of someone we love is not only devastating, it’s disorienting. They were here one moment, and now they’re... gone? Forever? How can that be?

There is nothing more challenging than the early months and years of a major life loss. In his many years of counseling those in grief, the most common question Dr. Wolfelt is asked is, “Am I going crazy?” This book describes the multitude of experiences that people may have that make them feel “crazy.” Yes, you may feel like you’re going crazy, but you’re not. You’re grieving! Your thoughts, feelings, and reactions are normal. And you can and will survive. What’s more, your days in deep grief will be a little easier if you turn to these six steps.

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NEW! COMPLICATED GRIEF:
HOW TO UNDERSTAND, EXPRESS, AND RECONCILE YOUR ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT GRIEF

Grief is always difficult, but if yours feels especially painful, stuck, or complex, you may be experiencing complicated grief. Complicated grief is not an illness or disorder. It’s simply normal grief that’s been made more challenging by circumstances that overwhelm the person in mourning.

In this compassionate resource you’ll learn how complicated grief is different and what you can do to soften and eventually reconcile it. You’ll inventory the reasons your grief is complicated. You’ll learn the importance of engaging with and expressing your grief. And you’ll find hope for your healing. There is a path through and beyond the wilderness of complicated grief. It’s more arduous than most, but to live and love fully again, you must identify ways to walk this path that work for you. This book will show you the way.

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CHERISHING:
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After the death of someone close to you, you enter a time of deep grief. And if you use this time to actively, intentionally engage with your grief, you find helpful ways to express it. You do the work of mourning. You share it outside yourself—in doses and over time—so that you begin to integrate your loss into your ongoing life. In other words, you mourn well so that you can heal well—and live and love well again.

In response to this common challenge, Dr. Wolfelt proposes a way of being he calls “cherishing.” To cherish means to protect and care for lovingly, and to hold dear. The mindset, suggestions, and practices in this resource will help you build cherishing into your daily routines.

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NEW! THE GUILT OF GRIEF: HOW TO UNDERSTAND, EMBRACE, AND RESTORATIVELY EXPRESS GUILT AND REGRET AFTER A LOSS

Guilt and regret are two of the most common feelings in grief. The finality of death allows no more time for apologizing or making amends. There’s no longer room for second chances. And so for many grievers it’s normal to ponder “if-onlys” and experience the pain of mistakes made and opportunities squandered.

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Grief overload is what you feel when you experience too many significant losses all at once, in a relatively short period of time, or cumulatively. The good news is that through intentional, active mourning, you can and will find your way back to hope and healing. This compassionate guide will show you how.

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EXPECTED LOSS: COPING WITH ANTICIPATORY GRIEF

If someone we love is seriously ill, or if we’re concerned about upcoming hardships of any kind, we naturally begin to grieve right now. This compassionate guide will help you understand and befriend your grief as well as find effective ways to express it as you live your daily life.

THE GRIEF OF INFERTILITY
When you want to have a baby but are struggling with fertility challenges, it’s normal to experience a range and mixture of ever-changing feelings. This compassionate guide will help you affirm and express your feelings about infertility.


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Ironically, if you are lonely, you’re not alone. People the world over are experiencing an epidemic of loneliness. This compassionate guide will help you better understand your loneliness as well as the important distinction between isolation and solitude. It also offers a variety of practical suggestions for reclaiming community and building meaningful connections in ways that suit you.


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When someone you care about has suffered the death of a loved one or another significant loss, you want to let them know you care. This handy book offers tips for how to talk or write to a grieving person to convey your genuine concern and support. What to say, what not to say, sympathy card etiquette, how to keep in touch, and more are covered in this concise guide.

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Homicide creates a grief like no other. Whether your loved one’s death was caused by murder or manslaughter, this compassionate guide will help you understand and cope with your difficult grief.


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This guide to the tonic of nature explores why engaging with the natural world is so effective at helping reconcile grief. It also offers suggestions for bringing short bursts of nature time (indoors and outdoors) into your everyday life as well as tips for actively mourning in nature. This book is your shortcut to hope and healing...the natural way.


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Loss is always hard, but when someone you love dies of an accidental drug overdose, the grief that follows can be especially painful and challenging. Readers will learn ideas for coping in the early days after the tragic death, as well as ways to transcend the unfair stigma associated with overdose deaths.

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- Companioning is about learning from others; it is not about teaching them.
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Grief is normal and natural. All thoughts and feelings in grief are valid. Everything belongs. Grief companions invite mourners to teach us. They are the experts of their journeys, not us. We are there to walk alongside them, not lead them.

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We Support Support Groups

Getting started

Grief, the most profound form of human sorrow, demands the support and compassion of our fellow human beings. Here at the Center for Loss, we believe that participating in a grief support group is one of the best ways for mourners to explore their many natural thoughts and feelings, receive empathetic support from others who’ve also experienced a loss, and move toward healing. In addition, support groups:

- offer a safe place to share pain.
- foster connection and counter isolation.
- give mourners new tools for grieving openly and supporting others.
- help mourners find new meaning and purpose.

If you are in mourning, we encourage you to look for a grief support group in your community when you feel ready. One that focuses on your particular type of loss is ideal, but a general death-loss grief support group can also be very helpful. Online groups are another good option, especially if it’s difficult for you to meet with others in person or if there are virtual groups for your unique loss.

If you are a grief caregiver or lay person who would like to start and run a grief support group, our resources provide you with the education and structure you need. In addition to the support group guides and participant book sets on the following page, Dr. Wolfelt teaches a four-day Support Group Facilitator Training course once a year. We invite you to visit the Trainings page at centerforloss.com or call us for more information.

"The Understanding Your Grief Support Group Guide covers so much and as a griever myself I thought this book touched on some areas that other books seem to avoid. I found the information very helpful. Starting a group has more to it than I first thought. I will be much more successful in my endeavors for having read this book."

- A reader
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**UNDERSTANDING YOUR SUICIDE GRIEF**

Using the metaphor of the wilderness, Dr. Wolfelt introduces ten touchstones that will assist the survivor in what is often a complicated grief journey. Learning to identify and rely on the touchstones helps those touched by suicide find their way to hope and healing.

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- A reader

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- A reader
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