



### **What Others are Saying About *Whirlwinds and Small Voices***

William Blake said that we can see the universe in a grain of sand, and here is a book that proves him true. This daughter-father team.....write from a place of such deep candor, faith, and hope that their words will speak to people in every walk of life. The authors remind us that our lives, however difficult they may become, are gifts...This book itself is a gift to all of us.

– Parker J. Palmer (author of *A Hidden Wholeness* and *Let Your Life Speak*.)

Light, hope and joy fill this book arising from deep faith and from two lives of service to others. These reflections and stories based on seven days of creation will inspire any who need strength for their journey and more joyful good work. One's week and work as part of the wholeness of creation are redeemed.

– Raymond Brady Williams ,LaFollette Distinguished Professor in the Humanities emeritus Director, Wabash Pastoral Leadership Program; Wabash College

The balance between personal faith and professional life has seldom been so clearly put and thoughtfully documented....The authors' calling to focus on the needs of others is contrasted...with our own need for a daily rebirth of energy within ourselves.....

– John Graham, M.D., Royal National Throat Nose & Ear Hospital, London, U.K.

I experienced *Whirlwinds and Small Voices* in a congregational study group and in my private devotions. I found it profoundly engaging in both settings. The range of Amy's concepts and references inspired me, and her practical application of these has instructed me. Amy's lessons of personal renewal apply to anyone's lifework and my life has been enriched by the sharing of her journey.

– Patty Hefner, Disciple Bible Study leader

Those of us who spend our days, years and decades enmeshed with often tragic situations and dealing with scarce resources are very much in need of inspiration that is offered in *Whirlwinds and Small Voices*. This is now one of the books I keep on my desk. It already bears the scars of the much-used text: ear marked pages, highlighted passages, comments in the margins. When I am feeling depleted in my work, it is the first book that I reach for. It has both broad application to professionals working in challenging positions, and specific application to those of us who practice within the realm of communication disorders.

– Dr. Kathryn Ritter, Glenrose Rehab Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Using the format of the seven days of creation, the authors gently guide the reader through the ups and downs of a week that can yield miraculous results one day and catastrophic events the next. The selected poems, spiritual writings and the authors' own testimonials ensure that this is a book to be kept close at hand for sustained nourishment as one embarks upon, or continues along the journey of spiritual renewal.

– Christine Barton, Music Therapist, Composer

Amy is a very good teacher – she knows her stuff and has a special way about her that allows you to feel you have made an important contribution to the discussion.

– Neal Handley, Businessman

I fight against the clock every day. There is never enough time, so how can I take time to rest, let alone, create? Somehow I do (I am a composer) and it is good to read and reread “Whirlwinds and Small Voices” to remind myself of this necessity. I was privileged to be part of Amy’s book study at North Methodist and hear her retell these stories that have meant so much to her over the years.

– Becky Archibald, Composer, Parent of a child with special needs

I found the book so refreshing in presenting a seven day cycle through which we experience daily emotions and life struggles. It is a reminder that life is cyclical and there is always an opportunity to start over. It is filled with great resources, including individual and group practices to sustain your life.

– Doris Jane Conway, Retired teacher, Sunday School leader

What a lovely, lovely book! I couldn’t put it down. My clients have these same questions and challenges. *Whirlwinds* has a universal message. I’ll be reading this book again and again.

– Jeanette Shallop, Ph.D., CEO/Executive Coaching Change Strategies

You gave voice and wisdom to so many of my struggles! And I see that I am equal to them, not with ease but with struggle, as it is a challenging path. It is breathtakingly exciting, too, isn’t it? My eyes are open in a new way. It is the right path for me to be on. *Whirlwinds* is making my small voices very strong if quiet ones, joyful ones.

– Tory Callahan, Dyslexia Researcher, Educational Foundation Executive