

Garth:

I received a disturbing e-mail about a mother at her wits end with a 10 year old being bullied at school and on his street. After seeing your "Sticks and Stones" presentation and meeting you personally I knew I could count on you to help! When I called you I was hoping for resources and contacts to be able to help this mother and child. As it turned out you offered to contact the mother and meet with the child. Prior to your meeting with this young man he was so upset about the split up of his parents, the ethnic slurs, the bullying by peers and their parents he said to his mother he wished he was dead! After having to loose one parent and moving he was also going to have to change schools because they could see no other option. After meeting with you the young man is determined to stand up for himself and stay at the school and not let the bullies win! His mother is so thankful she cannot begin to express her appreciation for the change you have brought out in her son! It is amazing how far you have come from talking to groups of 10 and 20 adults and now schools, you have spoken to more than 20,000 children. What a difference you are making in the lives of people you touched. The change in the 10 year old you met with is 180 degrees from where he was. In one meeting you were able to bring back the joy in this Childs life and make him realize how important he is. What a priceless gift! BRAVO!! Keep up the good work!!!