# **Reading Recommendations:**

## Self Help Books

Let that S\*\*\* Go! (self help book) - Burn Nessif The Mindfulness & Acceptance Workbook for Anxiety – Forsyth & Eifert The Happiness Project – Gretchen Rubin Rising Strong: How the Ability to Reset Transforms the Way we Live, Love, Parent & Lead – Brene Brown Untamed- Glennon Doyle The Rested Child – Why Your Tired, Wired, Irritable Child May Have a Sleep Disorder-& How to Help- Dr. W. Chris Winter The Sleep Solution – Dr. W. Chris Winter The Daily Om: Separating with Grace and Respect The Buy Nothing, Get Everything Plan: Discover the Joy of Spending Less, Sharing More, and Living Generously-Liesl Clark, Rebecca Rockefeller, et al. The Way of Transition – William Bridges Presence: Bringing Your Boldest Self to Your Biggest Challenges – Amy Cuddy Best Self: Be You, Only Better- Mike Bayer, Life Coach Help Me, I'm Stuck: 6 Proven Methods to Shift Your Mindset from Self Sabotage to Self Improvement- Vaughn Carter

#### <u>Self Help Authors</u> – anything else by: Brene Brown (a prolific self help author) Gretchen Rubin

# Parenting Books

123 Magic!- Thomas Phelan – for parenting little ones Have a New Kid by Friday: How to Change Your Child's Attitude, Behavior & Character Kevin Lehman – easy to use w/ worksheets, very readable The Explosive Child- Dr. Ross Greene, PhD.

# Trauma Reading List

The Courage to Heal: A Guide to Women Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse by Ellen Bass and Laura Davis Trauma Survivors' Strategies for Healing: a workbook, by Elena Welsh The Tennis Partner, by Gail Honeymoon The Body Keeps the Score, by Besser Van der Kolk Dr. Ramani Durvasula's books for anyone struggling with abusive/unhealthy relationship/ & recovery

#### Books on Codependency:

*Codependency for Dummies-* a great workbook that explains codependency and can really help you to recover and heal

Codependency No More- Melody Beattie, she also has a workbook by this title

## Books for Grief & Loss:

Mindfulness in Grief by Heather Strong- (she also has a website)-

books by Elisabeth Kugler-Ross and David Kessler: On Grief and Grieving: Finding Meaning of Grief through the 5 Stages of Loss

Life Lessons: 2 Experts on Death and Dying Teach Us about the Mysteries of Life and Living

The Needs of the Dying- A Guide for Bringing Hope, Comfort & Love to Life's Final Chapter- David Kessler

## Books for Couples (nonsecular):

The 5 Love Languages- Gary Chapman Men are Like Waffles, Women are Like Spaghetti- Bill & Pam Farrel Fireproof Your Marriage- Outreach Publishing (also a movie)

#### Christian Books for Couples:

Night Light: A Devotional for Couples by James & Shirley Dobson- He's a psychologist, they are Christian and this is a great book for couples that touches on most aspects of married life *The Love Dare* by Stephen & Alex Kendrick- based on the scripture in 1 Corinthians about Love.

The Marriage You've Always Wanted- Gary Chapman

#### Christian Books:

God Will Carry You Through- Max Lucado

## **General Therapy Reading List**

It Didn't Start With You- Mark Wolynn Man's Search for Meaning- Victor Frankl Maybe You Should Talk to Someone- Lou Gottlieb The Anxiety and Worry Workbook: The Cognitive Behavioral Solution- David Clark

#### Novels:

*Greenlights* by Matthew McConnaughy – his Memoir, He has a great perspective on Life *Speak* – inspirational book about a Peloton instructor *Hector and the Search for Happiness* by Francis Leland- Fiction – Delightful & Inspiring The Boy Who was Raised as a Dog, by by <u>Bruce D Perry</u> and <u>Maia Szalavitz</u>

Stealing Buddha's Dinner- Bich Minh Nguyen And One More Thing Before You Go- Maria Shriver, Great Book for High Schoolers!