

What your child wish you knew

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INTRODUCTION

From the day a child is born, she finds the warm embrace of her mom the first welcome and best welcome she could ever get. She may not realize what a feeling it was but it was a pleasant feeling all the same. Moms are curators. Even before the child is born, mothers are already playing a protective and nurturing role. God has blessed you with all the right tools to model your wards into what God has designed them to be.

Moms have a great responsibility. They bear the burden of keeping the unborn child for as long as nine months in their womb and then go through the pains of bringing them into the world and finally having to groom them to marvelously wonderful humans. It is a great task. As your children grows, they develop an understanding of what life brings. They

love you and appreciate an understanding from you on how you can be of help in turning their dreams into outstanding realities.

This book is a heartfelt letter to super moms like you. Your wards would wish you understand that they know your role as mother is indispensable and that no one can and will play that role better than you will. They would like you to be a source of motivation and inspiration building them into super kids too.

Your kids would appreciate you read this piece. They think you are a supermom too.

YOUR PROMISE TO DAD

Dear Mom,

I do not come from space. I am a result of your marriage to dad. Dad searched for a woman, one he could love and cherish. He found you. He believed in you absolutely and decided with Divine guidance that you would be great together. I know that my birth into this world was not mysterious but it came through you and dad getting to know each other.

Mom, you made a vow with dad to keep the sanctity of marriage. You vowed to keep it for better for worse until death does the parting. Everyone saw your huge smiles as you agreed before the magistrate and the church. You were so glad that you were finally leaving the singles club. The truth is that the challenge of being a wife did not just stop at marriage during great times. It was a choice you made for challenging times too.

You do have to remember that divorce was not mentioned as an option in your agreement. It was marriage forever, together, no matter the odds. I know what the marriage oath means. My siblings and I do watch the way you deal with conflicts between you and dad. When you make those threats of divorce, we feel sad. We do know just like the proverb "when two elephants fight the ground suffer" we will be the sufferers. I do appreciate and I know my siblings do the feeling of having you two together as one. We acknowledge that it is not so easy with you both but you strive to make ends meet. By your united stance, we are learning strength in unity.

Mom, I do cherish your motherly advice and shepherding that you offer my siblings and i. you sure have great parenting talents but I know too that you are not like jack who is super talented, dad's got parenting talents too that we have to tap from. You do show weak attributes sometimes and in dad, we can find the manly strength of character. God was not wrong when he made you for dad. He knew you both had to support each other talent for talent, skill for skill, ability for ability.

You are a morale booster mom. I do acknowledge the encouragement you have showed during challenging times with dad and though you may not realize I watch, I watch and my siblings too. If you choose to quit this marriage then you are passing across the fact that you did not love dad and you do not love us your kids.

Your role as wife is only to dad. Great moms do not flirt. They keep to their responsibility and choose to be responsible. Irresponsible women go looking for men who would satisfy their basal urges. Such women do not value their marriage vows. You vow to stay put with dad and it will be highly irresponsible of you to go lusting after other men.

God eschews broken marriages. His purpose from the beginning was to have them male and female as husband and wife. He never created a divorce opportunity. He made marriage an earth lasting bond.

Mom, I do want you to know that the secret of very successful people is having parents together praying and planning towards their success. It is such an interesting life growing with both parents together in the home. I want to grow

with this experience having to see you and mom grow old together.

The secret of healthy children is a happy family. The truth is that when there is happiness and peace in the home, the environment is thus healthy for our growth. I value this relationship, and love to develop a relationship just like yours with my spouse when it is the right time. By faithfully working with dad, I can faithfully trust your words.

Keep your agreement with dad. God knows that the best my siblings and I can get is you and dad being together in unity.

With love Your beloved daughter.

YOU ARE A GREAT COACH

Dear Mom,

We have watched together team sports like football and basketball where a group of players on one side plays against the other group of players on the other side. We have often seen on each side, a person who often yells at the team. The person makes some strategic changes and steers the team. This person is known as the coach. Mom, my siblings and I are a team and you are our record creating coach. You are guiding us towards the goal.

In you, I have a natural coach. You have the entire attribute I need to have. You are gifted with love, joy, happiness, strength, and hardwork, all the gifts I need to become a great life player. I am depending on your guidance and intuition to play me into the game called life. I am aware you had been a great player yourself and now as my coach, I would love to benefit from your wealth of experience.

Coaches do have a wealth of experience. The reason being that they have undergone series of trainings and have had experiences of failing and getting it right. They had had moment of success and failures. It is based on their experiences that they guide and tutor their teams. Your position as my coach is not disputed. Your experiences growing up have developed inside you useful virtues that I need and will need in the future. Because you have had your failures and success, you do not need me to repeat your failures. You want to guide me to success only.

When coaches stand on the sidelines, you have often watched them shout out instructions. They see what the players on the pitch do not see. My siblings and I are blind even though we do have eyes. You have realized as you watch us grow how much we need your guidance. Sometimes mom, you will have to shout out instructions. It is a duty you owe us.

Coaches cheer their team. As much as they yell, they also do cheer. We are counting on your cheers to get going. I often look at your face to see the smiles of encouragement. Your smiles excite and keep me going. I feel very proud knowing mom is behind me.

Coaches share the brunt of losing along with their team. Coaches fail when their team fails. As my coach, you share the brunt of my failure; you do have to accept this fact. Some moms often spank their wards for failing to perform. Great

coaches do not. They bear responsibility and decide that their team will not have to get it wrong again. Rather than make harsh and irrational condemnation, you can use that energy in creatively helping me out of my failures. You have to become my burden bearer.

Coaches never stop learning. With every game, they develop their skill and keep themselves up to date with latest coaching techniques. Mom, the role of a coach requires that you update yourself with the latest child training techniques. I have to be up to date with latest trends and my peers should not have a chance to be ahead of me.

As my coach, I am relying on your guidance to attain my goal. You do have successful attributes but the measure of your success is in how much I have succeeded. My successes are your laurels.

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