



Tara Geraghty presentation at Salim Omar's Business Breakthroughs Breakfast
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Testimonial:

There are people walking this earth who, when you meet them, you know immediately they are different from anyone else: they radiate a kindness of spirit that touches you, a powerful presence that lifts you up. Tara Geraghty is one of those people. From a potentially devastating blow, being told that her 3-year-old daughter would not survive the cancer she had been diagnosed with, Ms. Geraghty did not wither and whimper in a shroud of self-pity. Instead, she quite literally laughed at the situation: Tara showed her daughter how to fight cancer with laughter, how to build resiliency, and, in the end, how to survive. I don't know anyone else who would have shown this resolve and determination, as well as the wherewithal to research what she discovered intuitively, that laughter builds your immune system, that people with a sense of humor live longer. And from this she created a business to show people how it can be done. Tara's daughter is now 13 years old and living proof that one can literally laugh at death. Ms. Geraghty is very careful to point out that she pursued every medical option and followed the advice of her daughter's oncologist to battle the cancer. Still she had to combat entrenched views that a 40% survival rate for the type of cancer her daughter had was a death knell. She was told that she needed counseling, that she was in denial. Like other pioneers, Ms. Geraghty listened and ignored the naysayers.

I had watched Tara Geraghty's TedxTalk, and I highly recommend it to everyone. Then I had the pleasure of meeting her at a small breakfast meeting for business owners. It was there that I got to know Tara, and to hear her story up close and in person. I am willing to wager that everyone in that room left with a higher sense of moral purpose, with a renewed passion for living – I know I did!

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