



Emma Faye is a national speaker who has touched the lives of thousands of people who have had the opportunity to hear her story. If there is one thing that her audience remembers about Emma, it is her ability to connect on a raw and genuine level to those around her. She speaks with authenticity and with an immense passion for The Gospel.

#ShowYourAids
We all did it!

Thank you to the CI/HoH and deaf community who helped us reach our \$5000 goal! What an amazing group of people who are living courageous and inspiring lives. Thank you for your desire to give \$25 to help another deaf person reach their \$5000 goal!

Dancer Courtney **Dancer Jessie**

Raised \$5,000

A year long campaign on aidthesilent.org brought \$25,000 to the Deaf to help ready them for college, deaf education, deaf research and deaf resources. Our mission is to provide services and funding to deaf children and teens to reach their full potential and to live life more richly by providing funds to receive hearing and speech resources (hearing aids, FM systems, speech therapy), ASL lessons, ministry-related activities and education enrichment programs.

With each post, we were bringing awareness to hearing loss and allowing others to feel comfortable and know they are not alone!

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Emma Faye is an internationally-known role model for the (D)deaf and hard-of-hearing (HOH) community and founder to nonprofit organization, Aid the Silent. Aid the Silent is a system of support for the four main programs of: deaf ministry, deaf education, deaf research and deaf resources. The overall mission is to aid economically-disadvantaged deaf children and teens to reach their full potential and to live life more richly by providing funds to receive hearing and speech resources (hearing aids, FM systems, speech therapy), ASL lessons, ministry-related activities and education enrichment programs.

Emma Faye created the campaign called #ShowYourAids to encourage the (D)deaf/HOH to be proud of who they are. The campaign went viral with 10,000s of people posting their hearing aids and implants all over the world - giving Aid the Silent a global presence.

Emma Faye was Miss San Antonio 2015 where she took individual awards for Overall Talent, Overall Interview and Miss Congeniality. She is profoundly deaf, sings and plays four instruments: piano, guitar, ukulele and the kick drum. In 2015, she placed Top 10 in the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant 2015 where she won the Inspiration Award, Quality of Life Award, Academic Interview Award and Spirit of Texas (Congeniality). Emma Faye was again crowned Miss San Antonio 2017 being the first to hold this title twice since the first titleholder in 1923 where she won Overall Interview, Evening Gown, Community Service, Photogenic and Spirit of Texas. In July 2017, she placed 4th runner up in the Miss Texas Pageant 2017 walking away with both the Community Service and Quality of Life awards for her work with Aid the Silent.

Emma Faye has been Fiesta Royalty for 2015 & 2017 Fiesta San Antonio and has appeared in dozens of parades and events on behalf of Fiesta. Fiesta is a citywide celebration benefiting area nonprofits.



Emma Faye placed 4th runner up in the Miss Texas Pageant 2017 and took Community Service and Quality of Life Awards for her work with Aid the Silent.



Advocating for deaf rights at the Texas State Capitol - Senator José Menéndez, Senator for Texas District 26



Emma Faye with NFL player, Derrick Coleman, deaf fullback for the Atlanta Falcons, author and founder of No Excuses Foundation.



Jeff Bridges and Emma Faye at Fest Forum

Emma Faye was named San Antonio's Woman of the Year in the 2018 class of 40 Under 40 honorees celebrating the city's rising stars. She & Aid the Silent were also nominated by the San Antonio Business Journal and The Najim Family Foundation for their Corporate Philanthropy & Nonprofit Awards for Nonprofit CEO (Emma Faye) and Nonprofit of the Year (Aid the Silent) for small to midsize. In addition, her Good Vibrations Music & Arts Festival won Best of Fest for Charity Music Festival in Santa Barbara, CA presented with Jeff Bridges, Kenny Loggins, TBone Burnett and the Coen Brothers. Emma Faye was also named Best of City of San Antonio 2018 by San Antonio Magazine for Best Pageant Queen for using pageants as a platform to advocate for the deaf and hard-of-hearing community and made the list of "9 Utterly Astounding Women Who've Shaped San Antonio" 2018 by KW San Antonio for her advocacy endeavors.

Emma Faye publicly advocated for the largest theater in San Antonio to offer captioning for their deaf/ HOH patrons and won with Star Wars being the first movie played there with open captions. She advocated for deaf rights with the Texas Court Reporters Association for captioning legislation as well as hearing aid and implant insurance coverage legislation and personally met with eight Texas State Representatives and Senators on the importance of passing these two bills.

She has had over 43+ TV appearances, two of which were broadcast syndications that aired in 50 markets on hearing loss and the #ShowYourAids campaign. She was featured on Texas Country Reporter for her non-profit Aid the Silent and Good Vibrations Music Festival which won the Barbara Jordan Media Award from the The Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities as Broadcast Winner for the show "Love Hears: Emma Faye Rudkin." She has been featured 50+ times in local and national print, digital publications and radio interviews nationwide. She has shared her story at over 300+ speaking engagements and events. Emma Faye was the opening musician for Lysa TerKeurst, Max Lucado, Ben Rector, Penny & Sparrow and Matt Wertz.

Emma Faye, along with musician Ryan Proudfoot, co-wrote and produced the soundtrack for the documentary "Love Hears." The video project that came from the soundtrack "Love Hears: In the Silence" went viral and has reached more than 352k, 174k views off the Aid the Silent Facebook page and was shared 1700 times.

In May 2017, Emma Faye along with the Aid the Silent Team threw the first fully-encompassing (D) deaf/HOH accessible festival - Good Vibrations Music & Arts Festival- that brought together the (D) deaf/HOH and hearing worlds in a way unseen before through a series of efforts that enhanced music for festivalgoers through eight hours of live captioning, ASL Interpretation, t-coiling, vibrating backpacks and an LED dance floor that synced to the music attended by 1000s.

Today, Emma Faye travels all around the country speaking at business conventions, ministries, churches and deaf



Left to right: 1 & 2) Good Vibrations Music Festival 3) Tim Tebow with Emma Faye for the Tim Tebow Foundation Night to Shine at Morgan's Wonderland 4) Hanging out with Quinton Aaron (Big Mike from the movie The Blind Side) at Starkey Hearing Foundation

Emma is legally deaf, sings and plays four instruments: piano, guitar, ukulele and the kick drum.
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conferences sharing her story and letting others know about the programs Aid the Silent offers to the (D)deaf/ hard-of-hearing community. It is because of her ability to communicate via sign language and orally that she is able to unify the Deaf community with the hearing world. Emma Faye is the primary fundraiser and spokesperson for Aid the Silent as well as a staff member for San Antonio's pilot program Deaf Young Life.



*Emma Faye
MUSICIAN AND SPEAKER*

"I lost my hearing at 3 years old to a severe-profound level of deafness. Deafness has made me who I am but it does not define me. This world without sounds has shaped and molded me to not let what people call a "disability" hold me back from any God-given abilities. We are given the power through Jesus to turn a disability into an ability. I so desperately want not only the deaf, but anyone who feels held back by their circumstances or story, to know that they can overcome. I dream for people to know that their stories are beautiful and for the deaf to become all that they were made to be. Good and beautiful things can rise from the ashes."

- Emma Faye Rudkin



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“What a blessing it would be if we could open and shut our ears... as easily as we open and shut our eyes.”

- Georg Christoph Lichtenberg

The Diagnosis

Imagine simple sounds, a refrigerator humming, birds chirping or water running. The petty noises of everyday are silent, unheard. At three, my ears were shut to the world. I lost most of my hearing to a profound level. Doctors advised to enroll me in a deaf school and to teach me to sign.

However, my parents placed me in the hearing world and a mainstream school. They hired a speech therapist to ensure I was successful. I learned how to properly talk by observing the positioning of my mouth in a mirror, and by placing my hands in front of the teacher's mouth to feel the vibrations produced by certain sounds. My speech is the result of 10 years of therapy. My articulation has a distinct sound; many ask if I am foreign? It's a different accent they just can't place.

Lip reading is my main source of communication. My brain is in overdrive trying to understand what was said or why we're laughing. I'm a great pretender. There are many sounds I don't hear - P, H, G, K, F and S are just a few. My aids are digitally programmed to fill in the sounds I miss. In large group settings, the speaker wears an FM system, an assistive hearing device, which transfers directly into my aids. However, technology is man-made and cannot substitute for the God-given sense I just don't have.

Later, these differences were magnified. I became self-conscious of how I sounded, and with the physical appearance of deafness... the ugly blocks sitting behind my ears. When you're a child, you don't realize people are different and you accept them. As you get older, imperfections stand out.

The Battle

To find answers and attempt healing, I started to search God's Word for why He had allowed this. Instead of finding the answers I wanted, I started to see what God intended. I discovered Psalm 46:1, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” This shows God has a greater purpose for our hardships in this world, way beyond our human reasoning.

Another major turning point was in James, “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.” My life is a constant struggle, but I wouldn't be the person I am without these hardships.



A few years ago, something was said that forever changed my life, "God closed your ears to the world, so that you may hear His voice." Now I hear, not through longing and desire, but through acceptance. God allows me to hear what He's called me to hear. The world is full darkness, yet God has protected my heart through this filter of deafness, so I would long for the light that leads me from the world. I know I can endure for a crown of life awaits me, and this is just a blink and a breath compared to the glory yet to come.

God performed an incredible rescue operation on my life, and changed my way of living forever. God gives us the power to change our hardships into our greatest blessings.

The Change

In my background, I had been raised to love God and went to a Christian school, and I had become the great pretender of being "OK." I could pretend to hear sometimes and try to be a part of conversations, but I was in my own little world without anyone knowing of the hurt I was experiencing. I went into a darkness and great anger toward God. I couldn't understand that if God was supposed to love me, why couldn't He make me normal? That if He was the big God of miracles in the Bible, why couldn't He heal me? I wanted so desperately to be normal and to fit in. I became angry, depressed, horribly insecure and so lonely I could hardly stand it.

I knew I needed to change for this life of sadness was not worth living. As a young teenage girl, I signed myself up for a local Christian camp and learned about my Father and His great love for me. Something clicked at camp and a transformation began to happen.

Since that day, many years ago, I became alive and I was new. I started looking at my hearing loss as a part of me and as the most beautiful thing about me. One of the first things I did after this massive shift within was to wear my hair up! Before, I would keep my hair straight by my face so no one could see my hearing aids. What the world thought of me no longer mattered anymore and my insecurities are slowly vanishing.

My deafness has shaped and molded me into being fully me. Joy can never escape me. I encountered a new way of living and an entirely new outlook on what was seemingly broken. What the world thought was broken, my ears, is what has made me fully myself. I know that applies to everyone, whatever people say is beyond repair can actually be redeemed and

restored. Whatever stories are seemingly broken, can be transformed into good. Our disabilities, whatever holds us back, can be transformed into our greatest ability.

The beginning stages of my life felt like the most tragic thing that would ever happen to me. Looking back, I now see the big picture and that my deafness is not tragic but the greatest blessing that has ever happened to me. Having profound hearing loss has made me who I am, but it does not define me. My label is not the "deaf girl" or someone with a "disability," but I am wonderfully made Emma.

Young Life, a group dedicated to help the youth find Jesus, has impacted me the most out of any service I've ever done. It taught me that I am not alone in my personal struggles but that everyone has a battle to fight. It changed the way I look at people. I started viewing life through the lens of Jesus and His love that changes everything.

The Shift

Being mindful of my future, in 2010 I began to intensely study piano and music theory. For pleasure, I started guitar, ukulele, singing lessons and actively performing in my community. In 2015, I added the kick drum to the list of instruments. This was in preparation to compete in the pageant circuit to establish a national platform for the hard-of-hearing and deaf. In February 2015, I won the title of Miss San Antonio and am proud to have been the very first Miss San Antonio who is deaf. In the 2015 Miss San Antonio pageant, I was honored to receive individual awards for Overall Talent, Overall Interview and Miss Congeniality. In July 2015, I competed in the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant 2015 where I placed Top 10 as well as received the Inspiration Award, Quality of Life Award, Academic Interview Award and Spirit of Texas (Congeniality). I was crowned again Miss San Antonio 2017 – being the first to hold this title twice since the first titleholder in 1923. I was also honored to have received Overall Interview, Overall Evening Gown, Community Service, Photogenic and Spirit of Texas. In July 2017, I placed 4th runner up in the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant 2017 and was so thrilled to receive both the Community Service and Quality of Life awards for the work we are doing through Aid the Silent.

The Now

In January of 2015, I started my own nonprofit, Aid the Silent. It has been

a to be able to give back to the community, but most especially the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. Growing up I had access to many resources in order to succeed and not be held back by what was seen as a disability. The vision for the organization was spurred after stumbling upon statistics about the deaf. The numbers are shocking and unreal. From a number of sources, studies from the last 10 years have surfaced about hearing loss and the connection between the education level of those who fall into the deaf and hard-of-hearing realm. In addition, deaf individuals face severe underemployment. But something that completely touched my soul were the statistics that of those surveyed, 98% of the deaf community have no contact with the church or do not truly know and accept Jesus—making them the third largest unreached group with the Gospel.

I want others to know you are not alone. Everyone is fighting a battle so be loving and kind always, and everyone has a story so listen. I believe we are given the power to change whatever it is that holds us back into our greatest purpose. There is a quote I love but it has an unknown author, it goes, "God often uses our deepest pain as the launching pad of our greatest calling."

In addition to running the nonprofit, I visit dozens of companies, schools, and events every month to speak to children and adults to tell them about my story. I am a Young Life staff member, an organization that helps bring teenagers to the feet of Jesus. In the fall of 2016, I will be starting the first Deaf Young Life.

– Emma Faye Rudkin



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Speaking Topics

Turning a disability into an ability

Whether physical, mental, or spiritual, there is an outstanding number of people who feel disconnected from the world by their limitations. Emma tells her personal story of growing up as the girl who couldn't hear, the obstacles she faced as a deaf child in a hearing, mainstream school, and though surrounded by Jesus all her life, only accepted Christ into her heart after years of being angry at God.

Her testimony of finding doors to healing despite the continual obstacles she faced every day will make you feel uplifted and will challenge you to work through the adversity in your life and to follow your dreams despite your boundaries.

Mending Broken Pieces

At some point in our lives we feel defeated—we feel broken. Some of this comes in forms of abuse or addiction. For some, it is divorce, abandonment, sickness, failure, or trauma. It is in the darkness and rejection that either brings us closer or farther from God. Emma reflects on the scripture of the healing of a sick woman, who after years of bleeding and being shunned from society, is healed through Jesus. She relates this scripture of Mark into her personal story of feeling rejected and alone.

Like this woman, Emma reached out to Jesus and found the abundant life she was seeking all her life. Her testimony of the journey through the darkness is inspiring and uplifts you to acknowledge your broken pieces and receive grace.

Ashes to Beauty

Nothing in this life is certain. In just moments our whole lives could be flipped upside down. Emma recalls the moments when she struggled with accepting the difficulties she faced and how she overcame that despair and anger. She compares scripture in Isaiah to her own story of finding healing from sorrow and pain.

Her story encourages you to make the conscious effort to find joy even in the saddest of times. We can find assurance and unexplainable peace and joy in Him.

Come to the Table

Growing up as a deaf child, Emma often felt rejection. She used to sit on the playground swing alone, not playing with anyone. It was a time she remembers of heartache. She longed to be invited—accepted. Emma reflects on the passage of Luke where Jesus tells a parable of a man who throws a great banquet and invites people from all walks of life near and far to feast at his table with Him. She relates the

scripture to her own life and how Jesus invited her to sit with Him, and how all she needed to do was accept His offer.

Emma's story encourages you to be the one who invites others to the table—to say yes to His call.

Breaking Chains

At some point or another, every person has felt tied down to something. It could be something that makes you insecure, unwanted, unknown, unloved. Whether it be a name you were called growing up, a label or group people identified you in, or if it was something you pushed yourself into because of your circumstances, we have all felt the heaviness of those harsh thoughts.

Growing up as a deaf person in a hearing world, Emma often felt abandoned and lonely. She relates her story of rejection to a passage in Mark where Jesus casts out demons and rebukes them to the swine. Like the great love Jesus showed to the demon-possessed man, Emma reflects on how Jesus freed her from the chains that bound her hands and feet.

Emma's story is uplifting and a reminder that no matter what may be holding you back—tying you down—that freedom is just a call away.





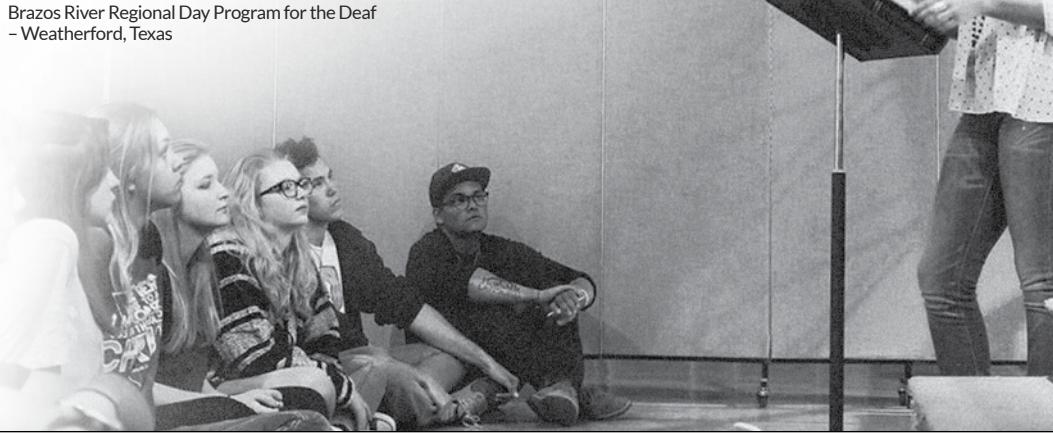
Cornerstone Church Sunday AM Youth Service for Middle School & High School - San Antonio, Texas



Brazos River Regional Day Program for the Deaf - Weatherford, Texas



CBCB - Community Bible Church Youth Group Inside/Out - Bulverde, Texas



The Cross

The symbol of a Cross means different things for different people. Often associated with Jesus' crucifixion, it translates the sacrifice Christ made willingly so that mankind could be restored and given eternal life—the understanding that there was something wonderful awaiting on the other side of the hurt that He experienced. He willingly died because He saw our faces and heard our names. Emma focuses on the deep meaning of the Cross. Relating our everyday struggles and brokenness to the healing Jesus brings through His act of great love for His children.

Her reflection on her own personal struggles and how she overcame such a dark time in her life is uplifting. Her raw emotion and passion for God, encourages others to seek a deeper meaning and worth in their own life.

The Bridge

There was a place that God existed that was nearly unattainable to His people. From Sin, people are left on one side of the canyon and they cannot reach Him. Emma reflects on the symbolism of a bridge and Jesus. Through the finished work of Jesus on the Cross, everyday people have the opportunity to get closer to God. She discusses how He bridges the relationship and takes the punishment of Sin on the Cross, giving people a fresh start and an entirely new way of life.

Remembering a time when she was depressed, and felt rejected and unwanted, Emma recalls when that gap between her and God was bridged through her acceptance of Jesus. As a cradle Christian, it seemed as if she would have always had this acceptance, but her honesty and genuine recollection of her dark times invites others to find the bridge to Jesus.

Supporting a Disability (School or organization)

Just because you cannot see what someone is going through, does not mean it doesn't exist. Communicating on any level, can be a difficult at times. For someone who has a disability, communicating can be even more challenging. Whether by a physical disability or emotional barrier, overcoming the adversities that hold you back, can be extremely difficult. In her talk Emma reflects about how she found the strength to move past those walls and to encourage others to do the same.

For more info on topics or how Emma can personalize a message for your audience, visit EmmaFayeRudkin.com.



More than 800 people showed up on Thursday service, January 21 to support Deaf Young Life & Aid the Silent at Cornerstone Church - San Antonio, Texas



Aid the Silent event featuring Emma Faye, Nathan Finochio of HillSong NYC & John Gray of Lakewood Church hosted at Cornerstone Church - San Antonio, Texas



Downtown City Church Youth Ministries - San Antonio, Texas



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Musician/Worship Interpreter

Growing up Emma Faye struggled with feeling left out. Performing brought upon a level of confidence that spurred her to grow her passion for music. Despite her deafness, Emma Faye immersed herself in learning how to play the piano, guitar and ukulele, and also took music theory and singing lessons. Emma Faye performs regularly at large events and conferences, music festivals, churches, weddings and rodeos. She has been the opening musician for Lysa TerKeurst, Max Lucado, Ben Rector, Penny & Sparrow and Matt Wertz.

Combined with Emma's diverse instrumental background and voice, her performances offer a unique and distinctive sound. She has performed at 100s of events nationwide.

Emma Faye at the first annual Good Vibrations Music & Arts Festival



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Miss Texas 2016 4th Runner Up

Emma opened for Proverbs 31's, Lysa TerKeurst at the Women in Ministry Luncheon in San Antonio, TX



Testimonials

What others are saying about Emma

Morgan Brooks Productions



Sunshine Cottage School for Deaf Children



Performing at The Champions of San Antonio non-profit event



Keynote Speaker for Brazos River Regional Day School Program for the Deaf – Weatherford, TX

Emma is gifted at explaining the Gospel to high school students in a way that makes Jesus interesting and relevant to their lives. She can explain complex truths with simplicity and grace. I love watching Emma give club talks to students at Boerne Young Life. She is thoughtful with her words, wonderfully engaging, and poised beyond her years. Because Emma speaks with such passion and conviction, high school students are quickly

drawn in and interested in the person of Jesus Christ whom she loves to speak about!

- **Morgan Champion**
Associate Area Director- Young Life Boerne

Hearing Emma's story about hearing loss, and knowing that she was crowned Miss San Antonio was a huge inspiration to my daughter, Erin. Erin's story prompted Emma to create the #ShowYourAids campaign.

In addition to helping raise funds for her nonprofit organization, Aid the Silent, this campaign also allowed those affected by hearing loss to make a statement. It created a confidence in Erin that she did not have before. Erin gained the courage to tell her friends and started wearing hearing aids on a daily basis. Emma's story and influence were able to create a change of heart in my daughter that I'm not sure I could have ever



Keynote Speaker for SEEDs Deaf Academy in Dallas, TX

done as her mother. Emma Rudkin has made a huge difference in the life of my daughter, and I am truly thankful for that. Emma is a smart and amazing young woman. She has an impressive resume for someone so young and I know that she is going to continue to impact many lives, just as she did for my daughter Erin.

- Dawn Dabbs

Emma Rudkin was a wonderful keynote speaker for San Antonio Independent Living Services (SAILS) 25th Annual Americans with Disabilities Act celebration in July 2015 at the downtown campus of the University of Texas at San Antonio. Ms. Rudkin is a very professional and charismatic speaker who really knows how to convey a compelling story. At the same time, she is humble and relates to the community. She is a natural and authentic speaker for any occasion!

- Kitty L. Brietzke
Chief Executive Officer-San Antonio
Independent Living Services

Inspirational. Emma is a total rock star! She is abounding in grace and beauty – public speaking is definitely one of her gifts! The way that Emma connected with our young adult students with disabilities, and livened the crowd was inspirational! She was real and authentic in her presence, all the while she painted a vivid picture of her journey, captivating our hearts. In her deliverance, we were reminded that nothing is impossible, and we are all fearfully and wonderfully made.

She spoke with conviction and passion, full of sincerity and excitement. She was generous with her time, and never made anyone to feel rushed – during Q&A she answered every last question (45 minutes later!). She even honored a song request and sang her favorite Christmas song for (and with) the audience! Emma is a vibrant spirit, and a total blessing to Providence Place. We are so glad for the chance to know her, and can't wait until she comes back!

- Joeylynn Mesaros
Volunteer Manager-Providence Place

I didn't have a role model when I was younger, didn't have anyone to look up to or to show me that it was OK to be different, that it was OK to not have ears that worked. I shamefully hid that which I felt was an abomination, and I suffered for years in anger, frustration, depression and isolation. Emma is the role model I wished I'd had. She is hope for the future, a realistic and approachable role model for children, teens and young adults who perhaps feel they have no one in their corner. She is living proof that hearing loss can be part of you, can define you, but does not have to control you.

- Sarah Bricker
Starkey Hearing Technologies
Communications Associate

I learned Emma Faye was Miss San Antonio 2015 but even more intriguing, she was hard of hearing, something I could relate. I came across an interview she had done for a magazine where she spoke about this deep love and compassion she has for Jesus. I expected to hear about how fun it must be to reign as Miss San Antonio and the places she gets

Tim Tebow's Night to Shine hosted by Alamo Community Church at Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio, Texas

to see. What I heard instead was of a dark time in her life where she felt isolated and depressed, I could relate to this in my own way at several different times in my life. Emma Faye poured her heart out about her darkest hours where the Lord drew nearer to her and pulled her out of the dark with the light of the sun that rose every morning. She states in the interview a prayer that she said before she ever rose from her bed, "Lord, as the light shines through the window, let your joy come into my heart again." This statement spoke volumes to me. She continues on to say that she realized she had become distant from God, that her relationship wasn't what it once was. How difficult it is to openly admit that as a Christian, we still stray away from God. She is unbelievably humble and has made a commitment to share with the world what the Lord has done in her life. I have heard Emma speak a few times in person since this interview, I was able to sit back and observe her. The same passion and humility I heard in her words during the interview were what I encountered when I met her in person. She is vibrant and glowing and she gives God all the Glory. The Lord has a message and He's using Emma Faye to share it!

- Jennifer Wheat



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aid the silent 98% | Emma Faye's nonprofit

Growing up as a deaf child in a hearing world is difficult, as it is for any child with a disability. Emma Faye understands those challenges and wants to be a voice for the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. In January 2015, she started the nonprofit Aid the Silent, an organization dedicated to raise funds in order to provide deaf children/teens the tools and resources to help them find personal success.

Through commitment and prayer, Aid the Silent dedicates its efforts to providing a platform to raise funds for deaf ministry, deaf research, deaf education and deaf resources. Whether that be through resources such as FM systems (assistive hearing devices) or hearing aids, through resources such as speech therapy or learning ASL, or through learning about Jesus through Deaf Young Life's events and camps.



DEAF MINISTRY

Through our sponsorships, deaf children/teens will have the opportunities to attend Christian camps and events.

DEAF RESEARCH

Funds collected will support organizations that dedicate its efforts to finding treatments and technological advancement that benefit the deaf.

DEAF EDUCATION

Monies accumulated will support the deaf community through educational institutions and programs by providing funding to train educators.

DEAF RESOURCES

Aid the Silent will be able to provide the deaf and hard-of-hearing with equipment and services.

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Young Life is a nondenominational Christian ministry that reaches out into the lives of teenagers to present the Gospel. Every kid has the right to know what Jesus has done for them.



Apply for camp sponsorships
at aidthesilent.com

Deaf Young Life (DYL) is in full swing in San Antonio, Texas to reach deaf and hard-of-hearing (HOH) teenagers. Young Life is a program that reaches out into the lives of teenagers to present the Gospel through relationships. DYL provides an opportunity for deaf/HOH teens to interact with others who share their common story of hearing loss.

If you are a deaf/HOH high school student (9th-12th grade) in the San Antonio or surrounding area and are interested in finding out more about Deaf Young Life – email info@aidthesilent.com on how you can get involved.

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Thank you for your interest in having Emma Faye speak at your event. **It is truly an honor.**

As a devoted follower of Jesus with an avid passion for people, Emma is always eager to share her story with others.

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