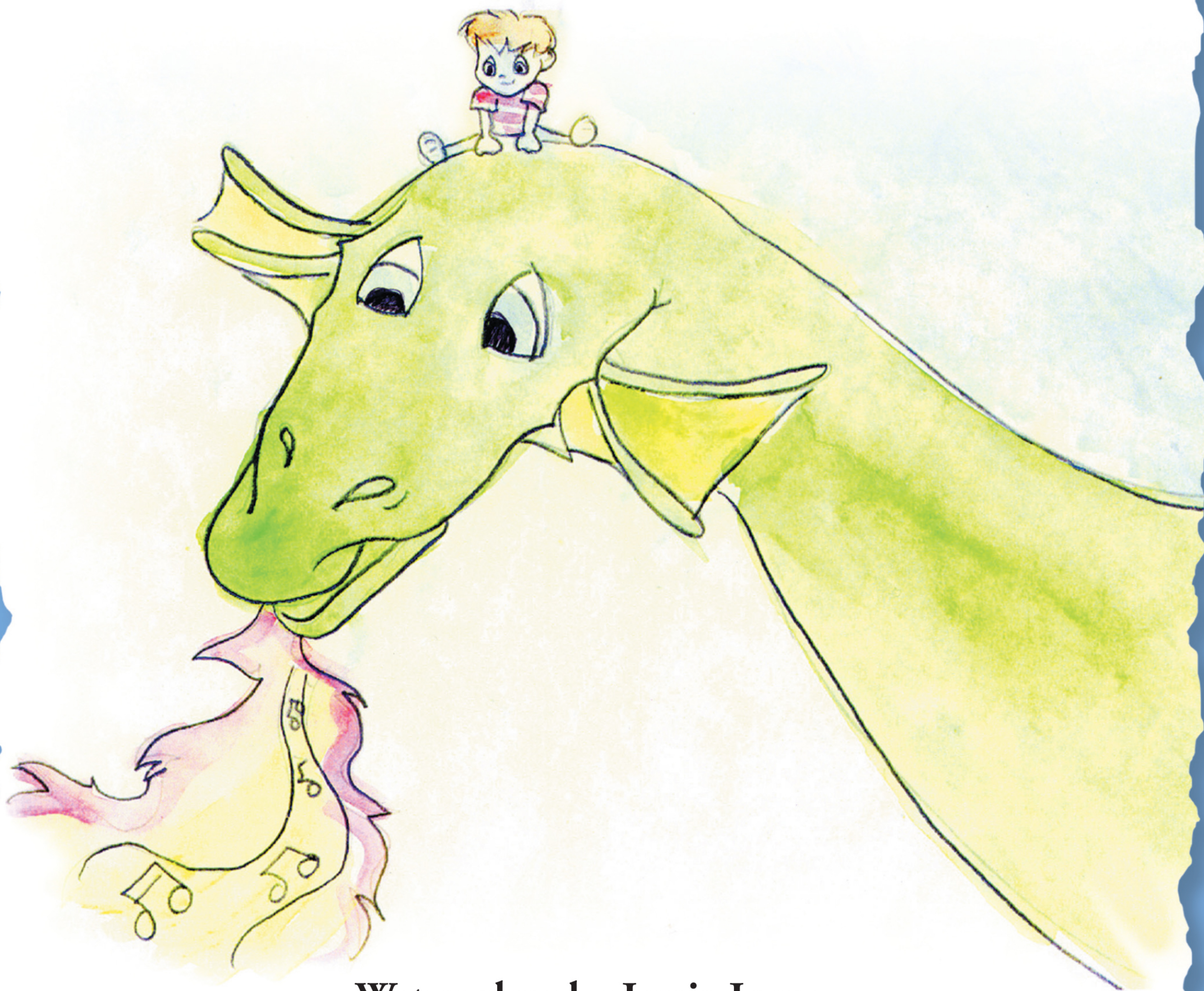


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*To my beloved children:  
my greatest honor is being your dad,  
and my greatest wish is that you will fly high above life's challenges.*



Del was a small boy from Rendee.

He lived with his mother and brother near the sea.



The people of Rendee were known as grand singers.  
Del's brother sang the best around.  
He sang in churches, in schools and towns.  
His singing brought smiles to those who frowned.



But Del sang poorly, so he was told.

When he sang his voice cracked a little.

And one man even said, “His voice sure is not gold.”

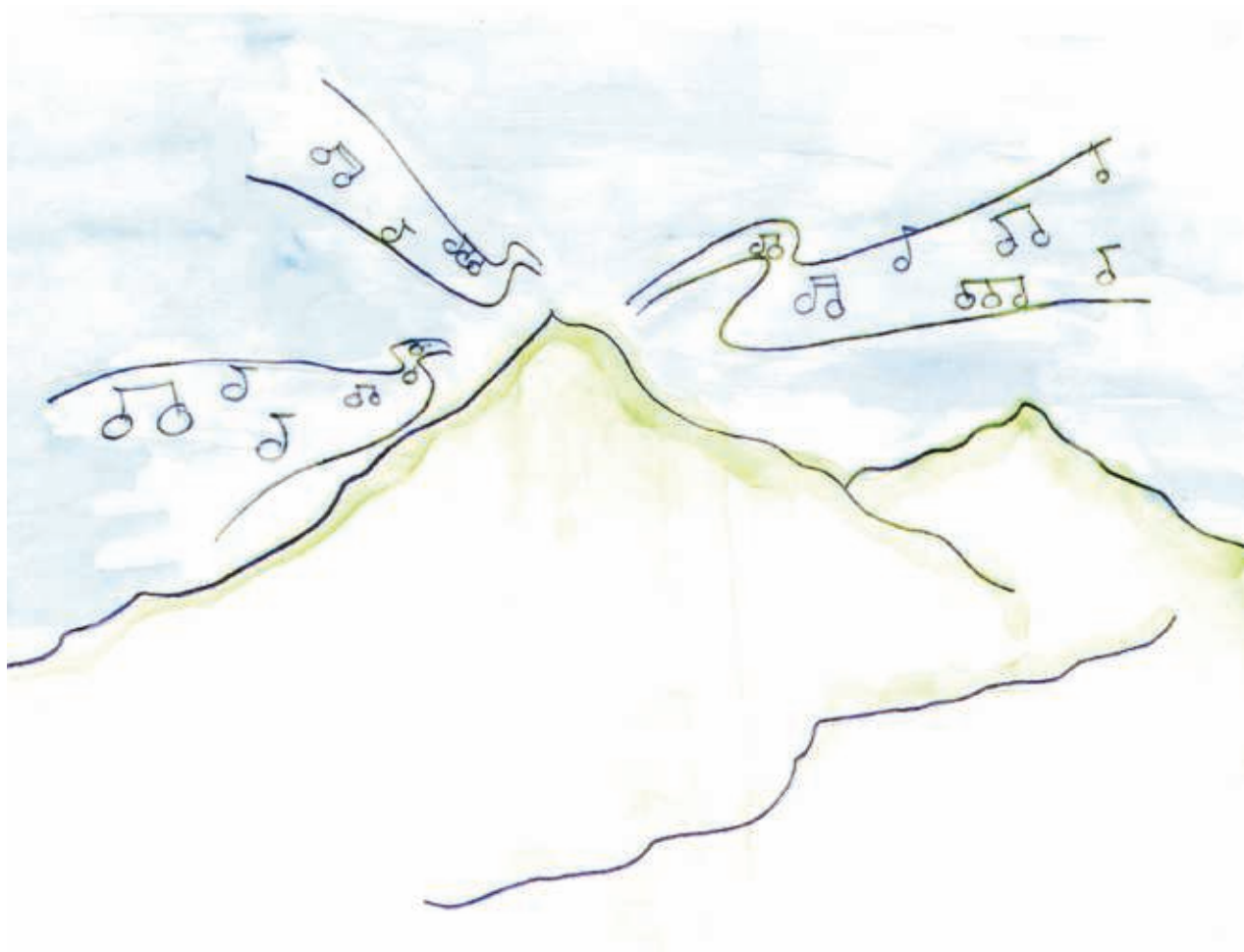




But Del loved to sing . . .

So he went into the high mountains,  
where no one could see.

And he made up songs about seabirds, and trees,  
and things that could be.





One summer day, on the mountains of Rendee,  
When Del was singing loud and free . . . .





Suddenly, a wind rushed past his ears,  
as large wings flew near!  
Del hid in a bush, and he looked out to see.





And what Del saw, he could hardly believe . . .

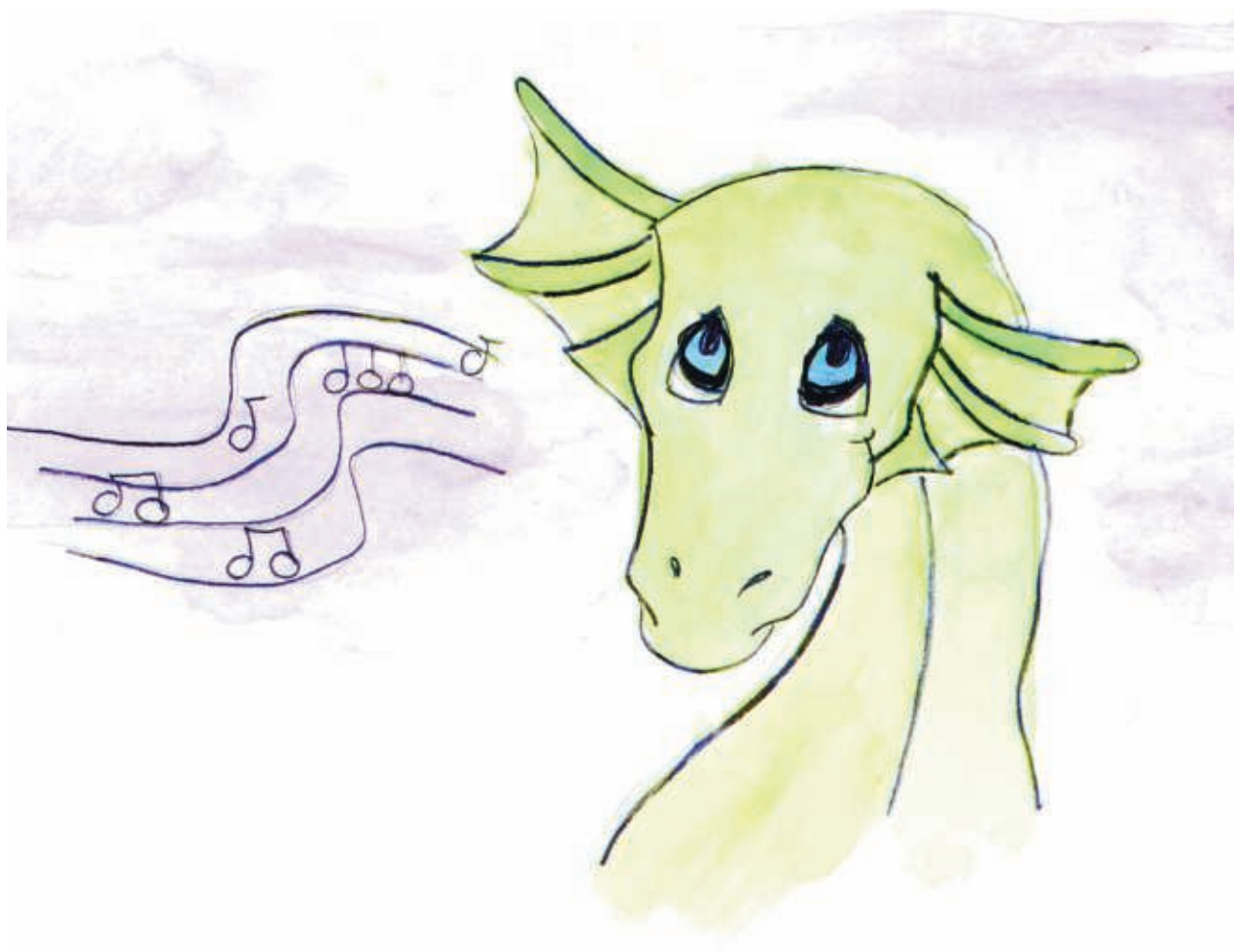
“There is a dragon looking back at me!”





“Sing, little boy,” boomed the great dragon.

“Sing dragon songs for me.”





Del was afraid to have such a fan,  
so he ran and he sang, and he sang as he ran.

And run he did do, with the dragon in flight,  
Cheering Del's singing with all of his might.



Halfway down the mountain, Del started to see.

“This dragon is not nasty. He wants to be nice to me!”

So Del sang a song about seabirds, and trees,  
and things that could be.

And when he was done, Del gave a deep bow.  
And the dragon cheered so loud,  
he made a tree fall down!





The dragon then offered a ride to show his thanks.

“Wow,” thought Del, but he was a little afraid . . .

Small children do not fly dragons every day.

But Del tried anyway.

Up they went, up and away.

And swooping and zooming and making birds fly away.



Over Rende, they flew to the highest of heights.  
And they even grabbed a lost kite!







Then all the town's people looked up.  
"My heavens," said one woman.  
"A dragon is flying over Rendee!"  
And the people started to flee.

When Del saw everyone running, he yelled.  
"Its okay. Its only a dragon and me!"



Then the dragon landed in the center of town.  
He spoke gently, so the people would come around.  
“I live in the mountains, high out of sight.  
I hear your songs every night.  
Your voices are sweet, yet your words feel cold . . .  
But Del sings with love from his soul.”





All the people were shaken by what the dragon said.



“Del is a special gift to Rendee,” the dragon said.

“A gift from heaven! You shall all see.”

Then the dragon said to his rider,

“Please Del, sing a song for me.”





So Del jumped off the dragon's back,  
And he began to sing — to sing for everyone.

Del sang of God's love, and that He was kind.  
And that God would always stay near them,  
even in sad days and wintertime.



The people heard his songs.  
The songs seemed so new.  
They clapped loudly,  
when he was through,



“His words really touched me,”  
said the mayor with a tear in his eye.  
“I thought it was fine,”  
said an elderly man.  
“Such a gifted lad has come  
from the sky!”



And the dragon took Del for many more flights.  
As they flew Del taught the dragon to sing.  
But when the dragon sang loud, he burned things.

They were always happy to find lost kites.  
They would chase them and grab the strings.

And God's dragon kept all of Rendee safe during the night.



And Del and the dragon stayed close friends.





In the years that followed, one could often see,  
Del and his dragon flying high and free.

And, as they flew, Del felt he belonged.  
He loved to fly with his God,  
and laugh about silly dragon songs.

The End







Dr. James Schaller is the author of fourteen books. He is a highly creative therapist and physician, who cures and comforts children from all over the world. His message to children is that they are never alone. God is alive and close and has a special plan for them.

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