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*Women close to God, close to one another*

Women's E-news

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## THE THRILL OF THE RIDE

Just recently, the Women's Leadership Team went to Sydney to experience the Colour conference, but also to spend time just getting to know each other better. We shopped, laughed, cried, prayed, ate great food, worshipped, grew...and yes, even experienced the thrill of the Scenic Railway at the Blue Mountains.

As we were waiting in line, 'some of us' were not content to sit just anywhere...the front was going to be the place to be! So we manoeuvred our position and ended up in the front two rows. There were mixed emotions...ranging from excited to terrified...but all of us were just glad to be together. As the train move forward and into a tunnel on the side of the mountain at a 45 degree angle we had no choice but to hang on tight and be glad we were in this together.

Arriving at the bottom there was a sense of relief but also wonder as we looked at the bush around us. We realised that the giant ferns and lush tropical scrub could only have been seen by getting down into it. From the top it was beautiful scenery, but in amongst it we appreciated every plant and smell.

Our Christian life is so much like this. When we dare ride the rollercoaster we not only experience the thrill of the ride, but we are taken places we would never have dreamt of. There is so much more waiting for us if we just allow God to lead us on the adventure. It's always a great reminder that we don't do this alone. There is a family we belong to and we share the ride.

When is the last time you felt the thrill of stepping out in faith with God. You can stay at the top of the mountain...but from there you only see things from a distance. Why not put your hand in His and be willing to risk the ride...it is certainly worth it.

On the adventure with you,

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## Prayer for today

Dear Lord,  
When you called me to live for you, you designed for me an abundant life...one that would be rich and full. I pray that as I take your hand and have the courage to move where you guide, you would enable me to feel the thrill of the ride whilst fully trusting in you. You hold me secure and you fill my heart with delight.



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Karen puts spiritual updates on FACEBOOK each day. Why not join her and be encouraged in your walk with God. Just invite her to be your friend :)

## A NOTE FROM NARELLE

Hi Everyone

I'm delighted to have been able to interview DARLENE ZSCECH on my blog.

<http://www.momentsformum.com/2010/02/mummy-interviews-darlene-zschech.html>

I would love for you to check it out. I found her very encouraging. She's so well known but at the end of the day she's a normal mum just like the rest of us.

Enjoy and be encouraged :)

Blessings and Love

Narelle

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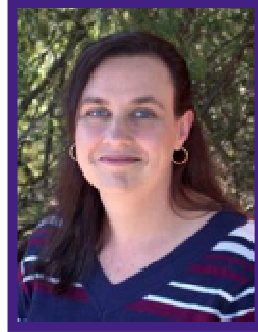
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Please feel free to forward this on to them and ask them to contact us to be placed on our mailing list.

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### The Knots Prayer

Dear God:  
Please untie the knots  
that are in my mind,  
my heart and my life.  
Remove the have nots,  
the can nots and the do nots  
that I have in my mind.

Erase the will nots,  
may nots,  
might nots that may find  
a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots,  
would nots and  
should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all,  
Dear God,  
I ask that you remove from my mind,  
my heart and my life all of the 'am nots'  
that I have allowed to hold me back,  
especially the thought  
that I am not good enough.

Amen

Author Known To God

**PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR  
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For all women in the Southwest and  
Great Southern Regions...

We are hosting **Inspire**

A one-day event that will teach,  
motivate, encourage and build into you.

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**Saturday May 29th**  
9-5pm

**Abbey Beach Resort**  
Busselton, WA

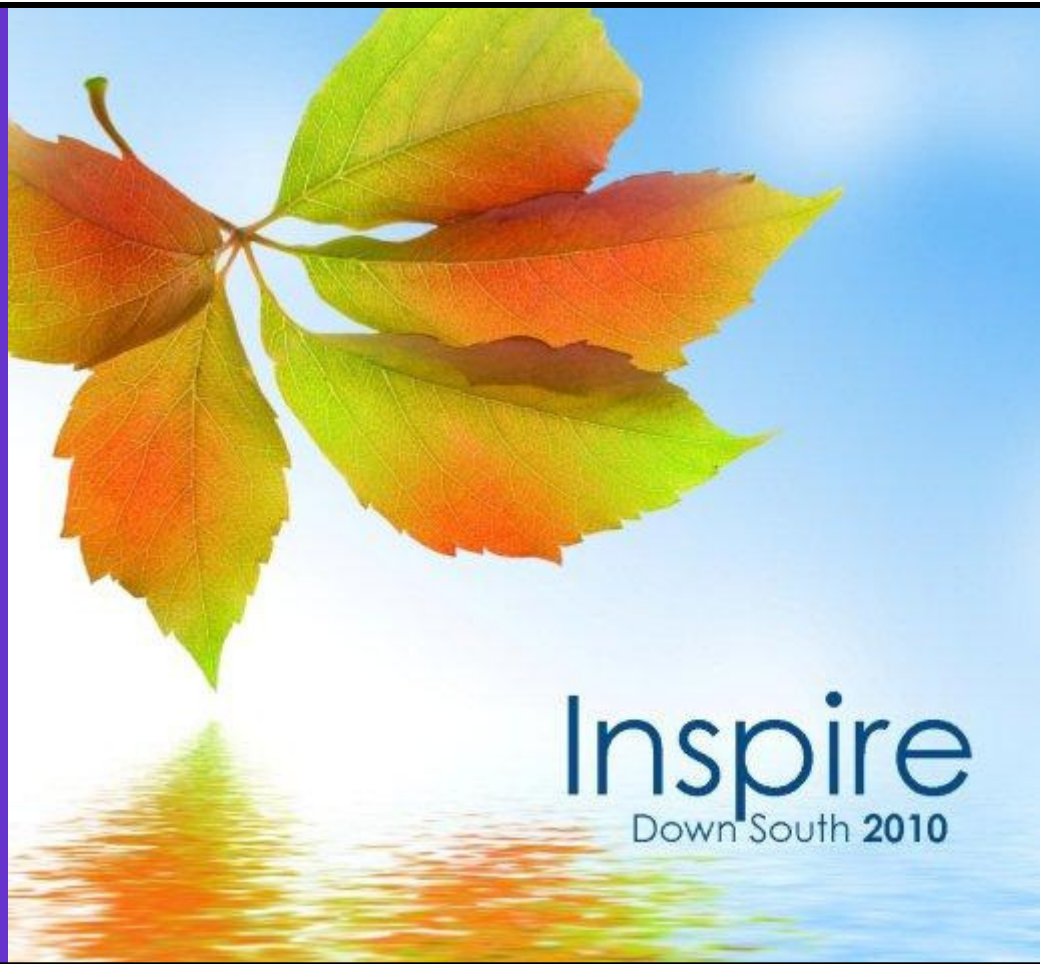
GUEST SPEAKER

**Nancy Beach**  
Willow Creek USA

Registration forms will be available soon.

Please email :

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for more information.



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