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Strength
to Thrive

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Welcome Letter *from the* Director

OCEAN VIEW CHURCH, SAN DIEGO CA

OCTOBER 28, 2017

Welcome to Strength2Thrive 2017 – California!

We have been waiting for this day for quite some time and are so glad you've chosen to join us. Today is about connection, encouragement and, most of all, Jesus. At Planting Roots, we desire for military women around the world to be deeply rooted in Christ. Our conference today is one piece of that vision.

Estimated at about 250,000 Christian military women worldwide, we are everywhere from Japan to Germany and Alaska to South America. We truly are all over the world. When people ask, "Why Planting Roots?" we simply share with them the possible impact of those Christian military women doing what God called them to in the place they are planted. Together, all being obedient to Christ, we could impact an entire globe with the Gospel.

Today, as we join together in person, our prayer is that God would continue to build a community of military women, that we would join hands with each other in our pursuit of Christ, and leave here to impact the world where we live. He calls us to two things: Obedience (doing what He asks of us) and Courage (doing it with our whole heart). We want to be "ALL IN." Knowing that half-hearted obedience leads to a mediocre life, we desire much more.

Keep your eyes open for those God would put in your path, open your heart to the words of encouragement and direction He longs to speak to your soul, and rest in the peace and joy only He can bring. Today will be a day of refreshing but also a day of challenge. What has He called us to do? How can we be ALL IN with Him, our families, and our communities?

May God grant us wisdom, discernment, joy, hope and community in this place today and may we leave here with a renewed heart to be ALL IN.

Be strong and courageous, and do the work.

***Do not be afraid or discouraged,
for the Lord God, my God is with you.***

1 Chronicles 28:20

Living for real –

Kori Yates

Director, Planting Roots

Schedule for the Day

8:00 am	Check In	1:15 pm	Worship
9:00 am	Welcome & Worship	1:35 pm	Session 3
9:40 am	Session 1		ALL IN
	Obstacles to Being		With Family
	ALL IN	2:05 pm	Small Groups
10:10 am	Small Groups	2:25 pm	Break/Snack/Coffee
10:25 am	Break	2:40 pm	Panel Discussion
10:35 am	Session 2	3:10 pm	Session 4
	ALL IN		ALL IN
	With God		With Community
11:50am	Prayer	3:40 pm	Small Groups
Noon	Lunch	4:15 pm	Worship & Closing
1:00 pm	Special	4:45 pm	Meet & Greet with
	Announcement		Planting Roots Staff

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ALL IN

Obedience & Courage

ALL IN with God

Brenda Pace

Taking the Next Step Forward

...one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead...(Philippians 3:13).

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.

Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9).

A comfort zone is a _____ or _____ in which a person feels _____, _____, or in _____.

An unCOMFORTable Step Forward

Circle the quote that most resonates with you:

Often, stepping outside your comfort zone is not careless irresponsibility, but a necessary act of obedience. ~Andy Stanley

We will never meet the best version of ourselves inside our comfort zone. ~Andy Stanley

If we are growing, we are always going to be outside our comfort zone. ~John C. Maxwell

Risk, then, is not just part of life. It is life. The place between your comfort zone and your dream is where life takes place. It's the high-anxiety zone, but it's also where you discover who you are. ~Nick Vujicic

To be wrecked begins with an experience that pulls you out of your comfort zone and self-centeredness, whether you want it or not. ~Jeff Goins

What keeps someone from stepping outside her comfort zone?

A COURAGEous Step Forward

Joshua 3:1-4

`abar=crossover

What `abar moments have you experienced in your life?

What helped or challenged you in those moments?

A CONFIDENT Step Forward

ALL IN characteristics in Joshua:

1.

2.

3.

4.

Think about it...

On a scale of 1-10 where would you rate your ALL IN commitment to God?

Where would you like to be on the scale?



Prayer

In his book ALL IN, Mark Batterson writes,
“There is nothing God cannot do in and through
a person who is fully consecrated to Him.”

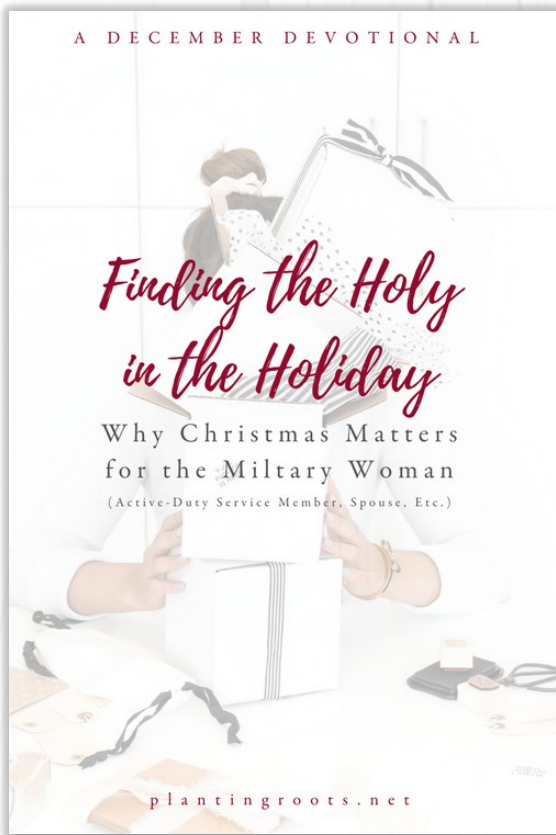
Take a few quiet moments to consider Mark’s words.

Is there anything that keeps you from being ALL IN with God today?

What is one thing you would like God to do IN you?

What is one thing you would like God to do THROUGH you?

Bible Studies



Finding the Holy in the Holiday

is a 24 day gospel-centered devotional from Planting Roots designed to lift you out of the holiday bustle and into the heavenly throne room. With a focus on God-with-us, this December devotional will encourage military spouses and service-women to grow in God's character this Christmas season.



Meet the Speakers

Ginger Harrington



Ginger Harrington, publishing coordinator for Planting Roots, is casting a vision for women in the military community to encourage one another to grow closer to God by sharing their stories. Author of the upcoming book, *Holy in the Moment*, Ginger's work has been featured at MGM Lightworkers. A popular speaker, she has written military-themed posts for Guideposts Military Blog and (in)courage. Ginger and her retired Marine husband have enjoyed twenty-four years of military life and are parents to three young adults. Read more from Ginger at GingerHarrington.com. In San Diego, Ginger will be talking about the "Obstacles to being ALL IN." You won't want to miss it!

Brenda Pace

Brenda Pace is an author and speaker with a passion for bringing encouragement and hope to women. She frequently shares her message in both local church and military chapel settings. She has been the keynote speaker for retreats in Korea, Japan, Turkey, Germany, Italy, and numerous locations across the United States. In San Diego, Brenda will be talking on the subject of being ALL IN with God. It will be awesome! To learn more about Brenda, check out her website at BrendaPace.com.



Meet the Speakers

Melany Molina



Hey, I'm Melany. I am a girl from Texas that loves Jesus, my family, people, coffee in large quantities, running, fresh cut flowers, and the ocean. I've been married to my best friend, Charokee, for 13 exciting years. There is truly no one else I would rather be my partner on this crazy rollercoaster of life as we have navigated marriage, military life, infertility, parenthood, injuries, retirement and presently, full-time ministry. We are the humble parents to four amazing little miracles that God has entrusted to our family. The Lord has faithfully led my family and I through some of the darkest times imaginable. Through those experiences, He has given me a unique story to share as I minister in the military community. My heart is to spiritually strengthen and build up women in the military community so that they are equipped for the unique challenges they face. We currently live in the great

state of Texas. Within the last year, Charokee retired from the U.S. Army, and now serves as the CREDO Pastoral Care Facilitator for NAS Corpus Christi in addition to our role as Associate Field Staff with Officers' Christian Fellowship.

Kori Yates

Kori Yates loves adventure. Her former life as a Marine and ongoing stint as an Army wife has given her just that. Desiring to bring together Christian military women and impact a globe for Christ, she has helped launch Planting Roots. Through events, online Bible study, and a social media community, their prayer is for revival among military women. Kori is an author of the book "Olive Drab Pom-Poms" and speaker, as well as a homeschooling mom of two amazing kids and wife to one awesome soldier. For more information about Kori, you can check out her website at KoriYates.com. In San Diego, Kori will be talking about being ALL IN with community, an area in which we all desire to be better.



Our Blog



SUNDAY
PRAYER
LET US PRAY

PRAYER IS NOT ONLY
TALKING TO GOD,
BUT IN THE SILENCE
AND LISTENING TO HIM.

Salena Duffy

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MONDAY MINUTE WITH GOD

How we learn what we're learning

Monday Minute

Sharing stories of how we grow
in faith in military life

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Worship Wednesday

A special time to press in to
the Lord and explore new
songs, ideas and concepts
applicable to worship and
drawing closer to Jesus. I pray
your heart will be deeply
encouraged for the journey...

With Joy, Sarah McKinney

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submitting a post.

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What's Happening Next?

STRENGTH to THRIVE

FAR HILLS CHURCH, DAYTON OH

APRIL 21, 2018

Planting Roots STRENGTH to THRIVE Conferences are one-day events that provide connection, fellowship, encouragement, worship, and biblical teaching for military women, by military women. It's going to be a great day - and it won't be the same without you.

FREE
to be
BRAVE

For freedom

Christ

has set us free;

Stand firm

therefore,

and do not

submit again

to a yoke of

slavery.

Galatians 5:1

EARLY REGISTRATION SPECIAL

FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 28

\$50

REGULAR REGISTRATION

MARCH 1 - APRIL 11

\$65

GROUP RATES AVAILABLE

LAST DAY TO REGISTER: APRIL 11TH

The day will begin with registration, worship and prayer. We will have both study and small group sessions, as well as time for us to build community. We even feed you lunch.

If you feel lead, we have many opportunities for you to volunteer. We would also love for you to join the Choir for the close of the conference. It is so much fun!

For more information, please visit

www.plantingroots.net/events

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ALL IN with Community

Keri Yates

Key Point:

Two Parts:

1.

“Christian community is like the Christian's sanctification. It is a gift of God which we cannot claim. Only God knows the real state of our fellowship, of our sanctification. What may appear weak and trifling to us may be great and glorious to God.” (Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian Community*)

2.

“The kingdom is to be in the midst of your enemies. And he who will not suffer this does not want to be of the Kingdom of Christ; he wants to be among friends, to sit among roses and lilies, not with the bad people but the devout people. O you blasphemers and betrayers of Christ! If Christ had done what you are doing who would ever have been spared.” (Martin Luther)

The Plan:

Pray

Go

Rest

Remember

Thank You

A very special thank you to the staff and members of **Ocean View Church**. It is only through the generous donation of space and hours of their time and service that Planting Roots was able to join you in San Diego this weekend. They have a deep love and commitment to military members and families.

If you would like to connect with someone from Ocean View, please come back to visit or call anytime. Connect with their military ministry by emailing military@oceanviewchurch.com.



Join us!

Would you be interested in becoming a part of the Planting Roots Team? Below you will find specific positions for which we are currently looking for help. If you have an interest in one of the positions, or other interests with regard to our Team, please find our volunteer page under "Give" on our website.

We can't wait to hear from you!

Worship Team

Media Promotion
Worship Artist

Prayer Team

Prayer Team Members
Prayer Wall Moderators

Admin Team

Human Resources/Volunteer Manager
Compliance Officer

Marketing Team

Website Administrator
Social Media Team Members
Graphic Designers
Videographer/Editor
Inventory - Retail Manager

We are also grateful to our Ministry Battle Buddies for working with us to make resources and information available to you. Please take a moment to explore the websites of these organizations who are faithfully serving God and dedicated to the military.

American Bible Society

<https://www.americanbible.org>

1687 Foundation

<http://www.1687foundation.com>

Birth Choice

<http://www.birthchoice.net>

REBOOT Recovery

<https://rebootrecovery.com>

Just Moved Ministries

<https://justmoved.org>

About Us

Military women, both those in uniform and military wives, desire connection, stability, hope, and joy. Dealing with multiple moves, frequent deployments, and questions regarding careers, we still must continue to build marriages, raise children, develop relationships, and manage careers. Usually far from family, these challenges can seem insurmountable to accomplish on our own and finding what we need almost impossible.

As military women ourselves, we have walked familiar roads and searched for the same things. What we have come to know and understand is that we do not conquer these obstacles or find the answers on our own. Our only hope for these things is Jesus.

In January 2014, we began to put together an organization to meet these very needs. Eleven military women launched just such a thing called *Planting Roots* in October 2014.

The vision of *Planting Roots* is that military women will be deeply rooted in Christ. In order to fulfill this vision, our goal is to build a community of military women to provide connection and a biblical foundation where we desire to challenge each other to find stability in Christ and to find His purpose for us in the places we are planted.

In a nutshell, our mission is to encourage military women to grow in their faith. Through Christ-centered live events, engaging media channels, and our interactive website, we share our stories and conduct online Bible studies that reach women with the Gospel and allows believers to dig deeply, living out our faith in the place we are planted. We pray that through this effort military women will find the connection, stability, strength, and purpose in our personal lives, in turn building our marriages, families, and communities. Our foundation will be in Scripture.

Jeremiah 17:8 states, “*For he will be like a tree planted by the water, that extends its roots by a stream and will not fear when the heat comes; but its leaves will be green, and it will not be anxious in a year of drought nor cease to yield fruit.*”

We, as military women, want to be that tree.

