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# Winter Promise Retreat 2009

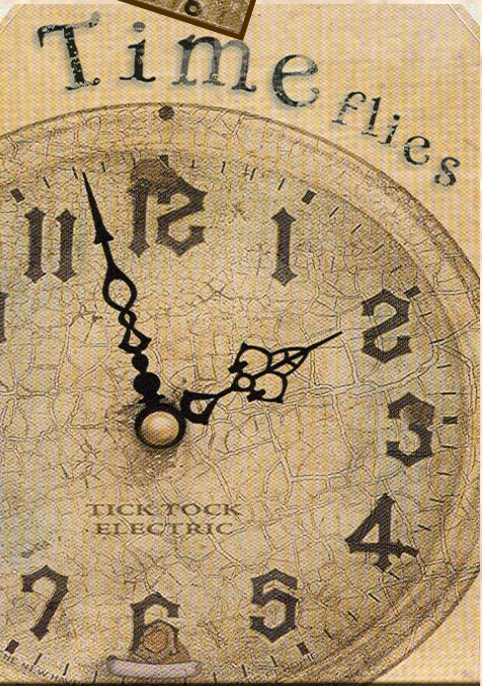
Friends for All Time

April 16-19

Nashville, Tennessee

- Curriculum ❁ Workshops
- Free Time ❁ Shopping
- Excursions ❁ Games
- Giveaways ❁ Crafts

.... and friends



# WinterPromise Retreat 2009

## Friends for All Time

Announcing Our Second WP Retreat!  
Nashville, Tennessee - Courtyard by Marriott  
2508 Elm Hill Pike, Nashville 🌸 888-391-8738

Spend Thursday or Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon at this wonderful hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. You and one or two other guests will share a spacious room, which allows you to get to know some other homeschooling moms. The hotel itself offers a wonderful common area at which to sit, relax, chat or sip coffee....

You'll meet wonderful new people, who, like you, are homeschooling, many of whom are using (or plan to use) WinterPromise. This retreat is designed to allow you to connect and create new, wonderful friendships. Creator and author of the WinterPromise materials, Karen Brooks, and her husband, Don, will share this weekend with us as we hear from them in workshops, swap ideas, share support, and learn more about homeschooling and WinterPromise. It is the heartbeat of WinterPromise that we be your servants and help to encourage and bless your heart!  
It's a weekend designed around YOU!

### Workshops

There'll be several workshops -- all optional -- available for you to participate in and learn from.

This year's topics are:

"WinterPromise: What's It All About?"

"Disciplining the Attitude"

"Making WinterPromise Work For You!"

"Boys 101"

"Character Shaping & Goalsetting for Your Kids"

"Practical Solutions for Everyday Challenges"

### Curriculum

You'll find a large sampling of all our WinterPromise materials to browse through, and someone to answer your questions. Our new programs to release this year will be there, along with most other materials. You can even place orders at the retreat, most of which will ship within a week.



# Friends for All Time means . . .

## Fun!

You're going to love this weekend filled with fun activities and plenty of free time! You'll enjoy a night of fun getting to know other moms in fun activities, create a new craft project, and "scrap and chat" with friends in the open craft night. Listen in on devotionals designed for spiritual growth, and share and pray together with other moms.



Best of all, it's up to you how many things you participate in -- create as much free time for yourself as you'd like. Go or don't go ... stay up late or go to bed early--it's up to you! Finally, not only will you relax in your room or in the hotel's open common area, but you'll also relish the wonderful meals we'll enjoy all weekend. (Not to mention snacks with friends late night!)

Most importantly, there will be plenty of time to make new friends, exchange great ideas, and connect with other moms whose mission for their family is that same as your own. Fun activities will get you involved in learning new ways to make the most of your homeschooling journey, while allowing you plenty of time to just have fun!

PLUS, there will be fantastic perks including prizes and giveaways, and attendees will be some of the first to finger through our new releases. AND, the first 40 paid registrants will receive a 5% discount off their next product purchase anytime during or after the retreat.

## A Great Place to Enjoy Being Together

The hotel we've chosen offers rooms that are spacious, most having a sitting area and a sleeping area. A pantry area with refrigerator, microwave and more means you can bring and enjoy daytime beverages or late night goodies! There's a wonderful common area with a lot of small tables for small group chats. Within an easy distance is shopping and other things to do, and a hotel shuttle will take you there, if you'd like to get out for awhile.

DIRECTIONS - The hotel does offer a free shuttle from the airport, but for those who would be driving in, here's how to get to the hotel.

From Airport - Take Donelson Pike North to Elm Hill Pike, turn left. Courtyard is 1 mile on the right.

To get more extensive driving directions from where you are, go to <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/maps/directions/bnaca-courtyard-nashville-airport/>

## Relaxation!

There will also be plenty of built in time for just relaxing! If you like to do scrapbooking or other crafts, the meeting room is ours while we're there in which to do some late-night scrapping together.

### What Else Should I Bring?

Other than the usual things needed for a weekend away, you may want to bring a notebook and pen for note-taking at the workshops, a Bible for the devotional and prayer times, and snacks to share with friends. You'll be able to work in some free time, too, if you want to, so you might want to bring a good book along!

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## Sharing!

### Winter Promise Workshops

You'll have a variety of choices in topic.

Registration includes entry to any and all of these workshops, although attendance is optional, of course!



#### *Making Winter Promise Work For You! - Friday 4:30 to 5:30 with Karen Brooks*

Find out how you can modify WP to accommodate your own family situation. Covers everything from combining ages to working with advanced learners, kids who hate writing, special needs, and more!

Note: This workshop is open to non-retreat attendees who want to learn a little more about WP. If you are an experienced WP parent, you may want to skip this workshop.

#### *Winter Promise: What's It All About? - Saturday 10:00-10:45 am with Karen Brooks*

Learn about the different learning avenues of Winter Promise: literature, activities, notebooking, mapping, research, additional resources, and timeline building. Find out how to maximize the benefits of each for different learners.

Note: This workshop is open to non-retreat attendees who want to learn the basics about WP. If you are an experienced WP parent, you may want to skip this workshop.

#### *Disciplining the Attitude - Saturday 10:00-10:45 am with Don Brooks*

What attitudes are pleasing to the Lord? How can these be encouraged and wrong attitudes be left behind? Learn practical answers for creating a right spirit within your child.

#### *Practical Solutions to Everyday Challenges - Saturday 11:00-11:45 am with Karen Brooks*

Work through solutions for scheduling, storage, managing other household tasks, and still having a life! Includes some question and answer time.

#### *Boys 101 - Saturday 11:00-11:45 am with Don Brooks*

How do you capture your boy's imagination in the homeschooling process? Learn more about boys' learning styles, needs, and various strategies to keep them engaged long-term in the learning process.

#### *Character Shaping & Goal-Setting For Your Kids - Sunday 10:00-10:45 am with Karen Brooks*

It's one of the most important issues in "raising" children, but how do we set appropriate goals for our children in their character development? Highly practical advice in determining how to shape your child's weaknesses. We'll also take time for sharing and prayer.

### Open Forum - Questions & Answers with Karen

It's a great opportunity to ask those questions you've been saving up! Karen will take questions from the floor, and give practical helps for using WP, working with your children, working through particular challenges, solving practical problems, and even reaching your particular student.

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## A Lot of Things to Do Together!

You have your choice of arrival times -- either Thursday or Friday. Thursday is a bonus day, provided by Winter Promise, and should provide you with extra time to make friends and enjoy other relaxing activities. And, Karen will meet personally with some ladies, should there be interest.

### Thursday

- 3:00 Check In
- 4:00 Very Fun Get-to-Know-Each-Other Activities, Personal Meeting with Karen, and more
- 6:00 Supper
- 7:00 Games & Other Fun

### Friday

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Excursion to Nearby Attraction
- 3:00 Check In for Friday Arrivals
- 4:00 Welcome Gathering
- 4:30 Workshop I - *Making Winter Promise Work For You!* or Free Time
- 6:00 Supper
- 7:00 Small Groups Devotional in Rooms (Optional)
- 7:30 Games & Other Fun - Shop & Browse Curriculum, Recipe Swap, Late-Night Crafting, etc.

### Saturday

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Shop & Browse Curriculum
- 10:00 Workshop II - *Winter Promise: What's It All About?* - with Karen Brooks  
*Disciplining the Attitude* - with Don Brooks
- 11:00 Workshop III - *Practical Solutions to Everyday Challenges* - with Karen Brooks  
*Boys 101* - with Don Brooks
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Choice of Activities - Shop & Browse Curriculum, Personal Meeting with Karen, Shopping Excursion
- 4:00 Open Forum with Karen
- 6:00 Supper Out & Sharing Time
- 8:00 Games & Other Fun, Free Time

### Sunday

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 10:00 Workshop IV - *Character Shaping & Goal-Setting For Your Kids* - with Karen Brooks
- 10:45 Sharing & Prayer after Workshop
- 11:30 Dismiss for Checkout by noon

# Retreat Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Tell Us About You!

How did you hear about WinterPromise? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you used/are you currently using WinterPromise products? If so, what are you using?

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Please list your children's names and ages:

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What homeschooling products have you used in the past?

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Favorite hobbies, and what you prefer to do with friends...

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## Emergency Contact & Things We Should Know

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please share any illness/condition that may be important to know about in case of emergency.

Share any problems you foresee with possible menu items due to food allergies or dietary restrictions.

Will you require any accomodation for a disability? If so, how can we help?

# Let Us Know How to Make Your Weekend Great!

## Roommate Request

I'd like to room-in with: \_\_\_\_\_

If a friend recommended this retreat, could you please list her name and phone below?

\_\_\_\_\_

## Your Workshop Choices

Your registration includes access to any of the workshops. Mark any below that you'd like to attend.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Making WinterPromise Work For You! - Friday 4:30 to 5:30 with Karen Brooks*

\_\_\_\_\_ *WinterPromise: What's It All About? - Saturday 10:00-10:45 am with Karen Brooks*

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## Transportation

If you'd like to drive with others from your area, please check the applicable option below.

\_\_\_\_\_ I'm planning on driving to the WP retreat. I'm willing to drive others, have room for \_\_\_\_\_ in my vehicle, and I give my permission for WP to release my name/phone to others in my region who are interested in carpooling. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

\_\_\_\_\_ I'd really like to ride to the retreat with others from my area. I can't drive, but I'm willing to meet someone else at a designated area. I give my permission for WP to release my name and phone to others in my region who are interested in carpooling. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

## Cost & Payment

Your cost of \$250 includes your room and meals, based on double-occupancy. The first 40 fully-paid registrants will receive a bonus 5% discount on their personal product order during or after the retreat. You also have the option of submitting a \$150 deposit, with the balance due at check-in. Any fees are refundable anytime until March 13th, but are non-refundable after that date. However, fees are transferrable to another registrant until April 1st. You can also choose to place a deposit, and pay the balance due later, with the hopes of being one of the first 40 paid registrants. Registration deadline: March 13th.

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail the "Retreat Registration" page & this page with payment/deposit to:

WinterPromise Retreat  
10 Folsom Harbor Road  
Grand Isle, Vermont 05458

# Workshop Only Registration

We are often asked if we have a "day rate" for the retreat by those who live locally or who have family or friends in the area. We regret that we cannot offer such a rate, since the costs of the retreat are negotiated to include rental on meeting spaces, food, retreat costs, and other services. Plus, we really feel that the biggest blessing of the retreat is in getting to know other homeschooling moms and connecting on a personal basis. However, we can offer the option of attending just the two Saturday morning workshops and taking a quick peek at the curriculum tables for those who'd like such an option. This option is also available for your guests if you'd like someone local to see and hear about WinterPromise for the first time. The cost is \$20, which helps toward the room rental, etc. Registration includes the following on Saturday morning, April 18th.

9:00 *Browse Curriculum Tables and Talk with WinterPromise Staff*

10:00 *WinterPromise: What's It All About? - with Karen Brooks*

11:00 *Practical Solutions to Everyday Challenges - with Karen Brooks*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Tell Us About You!

How did you hear about WinterPromise? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you used/are you currently using WinterPromise products? If so, what are you using?

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Please list your children's names and ages:

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What homeschooling products have you used in the past?

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## Cost & Payment

Your cost of \$20 includes your the events listed above. Any fees are refundable anytime until March 13th, but are non-refundable after that date. However, fees are transferrable to another registrant until April 1st.

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