



# LIVING GOD'S DREAM

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Monrovia, CA

**MARYKNOLL MISSION INSTITUTE, MARYKNOLL, NEW YORK 10545-0311**

**O**ur faith can easily become divorced from our everyday life experience and locked into a box we call 'holy'. During this program we will explore how we might re-discover God in the minutes and days of our everyday living. What does it mean to walk the pathways of our own personal experience as companions of Jesus? How might we begin to turn routine living into transformative living, engaging with the Kingdom venture in our own life circumstances?

We will look at some practical tools to help turn our believing into active discipleship, by getting in touch with our own desires, by exploring some tools for spiritual discernment, and by engaging with the Gospel as people who first learn from Jesus as his apprentices, and are then sent out, not only to do his work, but to be his presence in our own circumstances and life situations.

We will also reflect on how the mystery of Jesus' death and resurrection can take on a new reality for us and how we might begin to love ourselves and each other in the ways that Jesus models. Even though we will follow the dynamic of St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises, this program does not assume any prior knowledge of Ignatian spirituality.

**Resource Person: Margaret Silf, MA**, is the author of a number of books for 21<sup>st</sup> century spiritual pilgrims and spends much of her time 'on the road', travelling widely in her itinerant lifestyle. She works ecumenically, across and beyond the traditional denominations and is passionate about making Christian spirituality accessible in everyday life. Born in Yorkshire, England, Margaret was employed until 2000 in the computer industry as a technical author and since then has devoted herself to writing and to accompanying others on their spiritual journey, through retreats, workshops and days of reflection. She was trained by the Jesuits of the British and Irish Province in spiritual accompaniment. She has one grown daughter and two grandchildren and lives in Staffordshire, England.

**Recommended books:**

Silf, Margaret. *Inner Compass*. Loyola Press, 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_. *Wayfaring: A Gospel Journey Into Life*. Doubleday, 2002.

\_\_\_\_\_. *Roots and Wings*. Eerdmans, 2006.

\_\_\_\_\_. *The Other Side of Chaos*. Loyola Press, 2012.

\_\_\_\_\_. *At Sea With God*. Darton, Longman, Todd Ltd 2003.

\_\_\_\_\_. *Sacred Spaces*. Lion Hudson, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_. *Companions of Christ*. Eerdmans, 2005.

\_\_\_\_\_. *100 Wisdom Stories from Around the World*. Pilgrim Press, 2003.

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**REGISTRATION/REQUEST FOR HOSPITALITY:**

**All persons wishing to register for this Program (including requests for hospitality) are asked to write directly to**

**Maryknoll Mission Institute, P.O.Box 311**

**Admissions Coordinator**

**Maryknoll, NY 10545**

**Or e-mail [missinst@mksisters.org](mailto:missinst@mksisters.org)**

**TUITION/ ROOM AND BOARD:**

The **TUITION** for this 5 day program is \$250.00 and is processed through the Mission Institute.

This includes: \$50.00 non refundable deposit

\$200.00 balance of tuition payable upon arrival at Monrovia.

The **ROOM and BOARD** is \$30.00 per day; accommodations are processed through the Mission Institute. Room and Board are payable upon arrival.

**CASH OR CHECKS ARE ACCEPTABLE.**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE**

The **Maryknoll Sisters** residence is located at:

**300 Norumbega Drive, Monrovia, CA 91016**

**(Mailing address is 340 Norumbega Drive) Tel: 626-358-1825-6.**

**The Mission Institute Staff may also be contacted by phone in New York:**

**914-941-0783, ext. 5671 (8AM to -5 PM EST)**

**Application forms and program descriptions may be found on our website:**

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