



Betty's Story

My name is Betty Namnik. I have belonged to the Catholic Church all my life and have been faithful to God as he has been to me.

I first met with Holy Spirit of Freedom Community in Pemberton at a Conference being held there. Two friends of mine invited me and I went with some trepidation and left with hope and joy. I took tentative steps but was gradually drawn into the spirit of the Community and to the people who were leading it at that time, 1998, I think.

I have seen miracles take place. Some of them were quite dramatic, others were simpler but with the same spirit. I am very at home when at Karriholm. This is my second term as Leader there and, although there are challenges, God's grace is always with us. It is like a second home to me, with brothers and sisters, much like my birth family.

We have a gathering every Tuesday, mostly women and on Thursday evenings we have an open prayer meeting. I am blessed to be able to attend both of them usually.

Through my involvement at Karriholm I have been able to attend Retreats run by our Holy Spirit of Freedom Community in Melbourne which have been very inspiring. I have also made about ten trips to the Philippines, travelling with one or two others. I made many friends there and certainly had my eyes opened to 'how the other half live!' I pray for them every day. We send boxes of food, clothing, toys and a must is TimTams!! We also support a very poor school in Cebu by sending books, toys, pens, pencils and other school needs. And Tim Tams!!

I am very grateful to the friends who first invited me along and to God for his overwhelming love.



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