# Melinda Viergever Inman Press Kit

## **Author Biography**

#### **Shortest Author Bio:**

Melinda Viergever Inman is a prodigal with a passion to write. She authors fiction illustrating God's love for wounded people, making beauty of ashes. She shepherds women in church and in prison ministry. She writes inspirational material and bible studies. Her six precocious offspring, all grown, still teach her. With her family, she is involved in a church-planting ministry in India: RIMI at www.rimi.org.

#### **Shorter Author Bio:**

Melinda Viergever Inman was raised in the tornado capital of the U.S. - Wakita, Oklahoma, of "Twister" fame. There her parents met. There her roots were sunk in a storytelling family. During years of relocation, tragedy struck. Wounded and heartbroken, Melinda forsook her roots and ran from herself and from God. A journey of trial and heartache brought her home again. A prodigal now returned to her secure foundation, she writes with passion, illustrating God's love for wounded people as he makes beauty from ashes. *Refuge* is her first novel. Melinda shepherds women in church and in prison ministry. She writes inspirational material and bible studies. Her six precocious offspring, all grown, teach and inspire her. With her husband and family, she is involved in a church-planting ministry in India: Reaching Indians Ministries International.

### **Short Author Bio:**

Melinda Viergever Inman vigorously pursued the task of educating her six rambunctious and precocious children for twenty-eight years. A full and busy life crowded out serious writing. Writing then consisted of the many journals she kept. Now all her children are launched into adulthood, and she has embarked on a full-time writing career. Writing is her ministry.

After receiving an intensive theological education from her church, in 2005 her pastor invited her to write the church's bible-study material. Since then, she has created these resources. Each year, they are published by her church. She will soon market her bible studies on her website, where she authors a bi-weekly inspirational blog – http://melindainman.com. Melinda shepherds women in bible study and prison ministry, and she engages in theological studies via Trinity Seminary. She has been published by David C. Cook and Christian Devotions.

Truth is also learned powerfully through story. Jesus knew this. He told parables, and so Melinda follows in his steps. She writes fiction. *Refuge* is her first novel.