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THE ANNALS OF ANNA

stories of me and mine

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WHAT'S INSIDE

There's quite a bit to keep you interested here today. So grab you're coffee and let's go!

- **SNEAK PEAK** of my next book launching soon
- **Blog post** 'Why I Write'.
- **Refreshed and Ready** - A New Website for a New Season
- **Author Profile:** Vida Li Sik
- **Write a Book Review**
- **New Poem** 'Canvas'



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NEW SEASON NEW WEBSITE

A change is as good as a holiday, so they say. So, my website should be feeling all refreshed and ready for action! I've spent the last few days revamping it and I have to admit, it now looks beeeaaauuutiful 😁

Take and look and see for yourself..

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And happy Independence Day to all my American friends.

Did you know the 4th July is a pretty special date for me too? It's the day in 1997 that I left England and came to live here in South Africa.

You can read more about those adventures in my book 'Twenty Years an Expat' if you haven't already



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Release in me a whirlwind of words

'WHY I WRITE'

A LITTLE WHILE AGO, I spotted a short survey on Twitter. It asked authors and writers to share their reasons for doing what they do. Options were because they have a message to share with the world, they want recognition or they want to earn a salary.

'Yes, I admit it, I want to be famous! Well, not really. But I would like to know how someone becomes famous...'

[Read More](#)

COMING SOON!

I'm sooo excited to be able to announce that my next book is at the printers even as I write.

The 'Captivated by the Creator' journal combines my words and the artwork of my designer friend Chantel Cromer-Wilson into one beautiful book for reflection and personal devotions.

Space is given for you to jot down your thoughts as you contemplate the wonder of the Creator through his Creation. And tap into your own creative side as you embellish each page with your own designs.

Watch out for an extra special newsletter giving you all the details soon.



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BLANK

1.(of a surface or background)
unrelieved by decorative or
other features; bare, empty,
or plain

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I posted a little teaser on my Facebook page the other day for #WednesdayWords. And I promised to reveal all in my newsletter! So here's the reveal...

I have been participating in an online poetry challenge since the beginning of last year. Each month we are challenged to write a poem on a given topic or style. This month, the topic was 'blank'. You can read mine below.

If you haven't already 'liked' my Facebook, you can go there now



CANVAS

On that first canvas
Blackened and chaotic
SPOKE the Word
And iridescent light exploded forth.

Prisms bellowed rainbows
Comets flung a diamond trail
Meteors collided.

Stars were birthed
and glistened crystal cold
Unchecked riot
of a Master Artist's palette.

Emerging in the calm
of a silvery, milky way
The gentle quiet placing
of a simple pale blue dot.
A canvas blank for painting...

canvas



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MEET THE AUTHOR

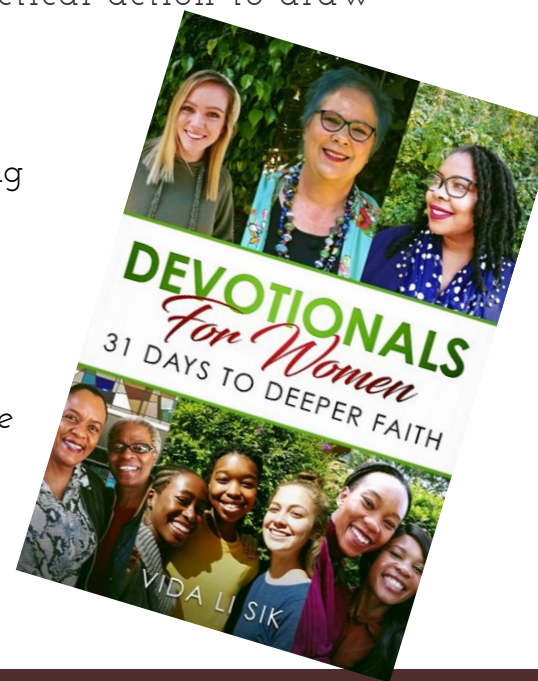
VIDA LI SIK is a wife, mother, award-winning journalist and multi-genre author. She grew up in a small town, Nigel, in sunny South Africa, and now lives with her family in Johannesburg, the City of Gold, where she is actively involved in a youth and family ministry. She has no pets and has yet to find a weird and wonderful hobby. In the meantime, she loves to write about people, real ones and imagined.

'DEVOTIONALS FOR WOMEN: 31 DAYS TO DEEPER FAITH'

Are you deeply rooted in the scriptures? Dig into the Bible by taking a month-long devotional journey to deepen your faith. Find women in the Bible you can learn from by applying the lessons from their lives to your own today. You will have time to reflect, focus your prayers and decide on the practical action to draw you closer to God and to others.

You can find out more about Vida by heading over to her [website](#), where you'll also find a sign-up option to join her mailing list.

Would you like a chance to read and review Vida's book 'Devotionals for Women: 31 Days to Deeper Faith'? Check out the details below to get started.

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CHRISTIAN FICTION AND NONFICTION FOR THE SUMMER!

Don't wait... Get these books now!

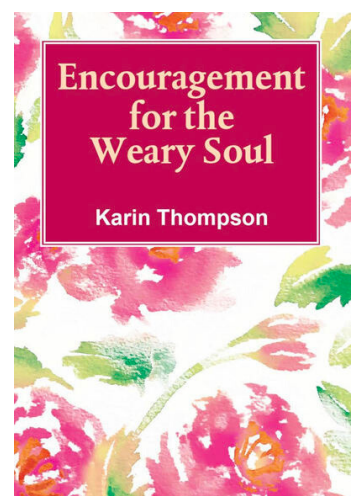
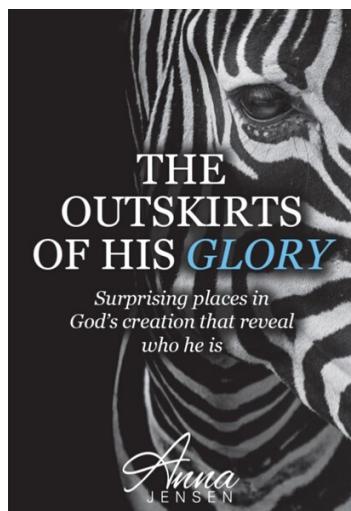
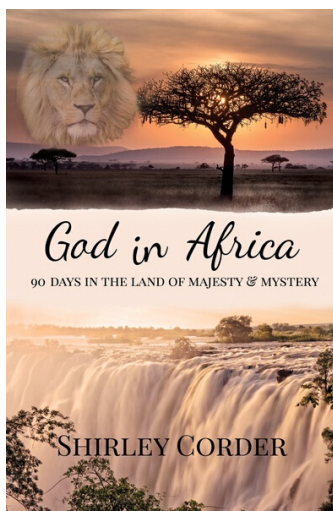
SUMMER READS
(GOOD FOR WINTER TOO!)

There are a whopping 55 books in this summer celebration of Christian writing. There's romance, adventure, inspiration and everything in between on offer. There are even some box sets available so you can enjoy a whole series over the holiday season.

And if you're in the Southern Hemisphere like me, we can dream of summer while we snuggle next to our firesides wrapped in fluffy blankets!

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A SMALL SELECTION OF WHAT'S ON OFFER...



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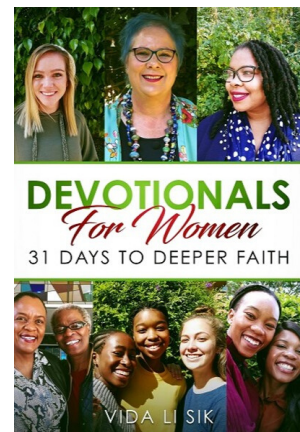
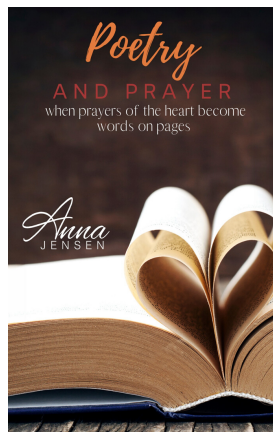
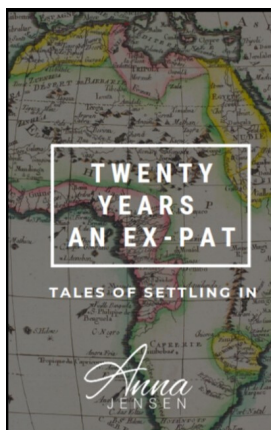


REVIEW A BOOK

We all love to find out what others thought of something before we try it out, whether it be a new restaurant or a good book. Now you can be part of the review team and help others find some great Christian reads.

It's super easy to do. Just click on the image above and choose from the list of books that will pop up. You can read and review just one or all of them.

Have fun!



GOODBYE FOR NOW

So, we come to the end of another newsletter, and the end of another day. I have a hungry family to cook for, then a leisurely evening by the fire to look forward to.

Until next time. Oh, and I'd love to hear back from you sometime, so drop me an email at hello@annajensen.co.za when you get the chance!

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