

DAUGHTERS OF THE FAITH SERIES



*The*  
*Tinker's Daughter*

A STORY BASED ON THE  
LIFE OF MARY BUNYAN

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# Glossary

**Apothecary vials.** Small glass containers for medicine.

**Assizes.** English county court sessions.

**Baba.** The *Romani* word for grandmother.

**Baiting.** A mixture of dung and water that opens the pores of the leather to make the leather smooth in the process of tanning.

**Baiting dub.** The vat that holds the *baiting* mixture.

**Boria.** The *Romani* word for sisters-in-law.

**Casket.** A box.

**Chemise.** A one-piece undergarment like a slip.

**Chey.** The *Romani* word for girl.

**Curried.** Finished leather.

**Daft.** Insane or silly.

**Dissenter.** A person who did not agree with and follow the rules of the official Church of England.

**Dovecote.** A house built for doves.

**Firebell.** A clay bell-shaped cover with a handle at the top

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that was used to safely cover the remains of a fire and keep the ash smoldering.

**Furlong.** A distance that is 220 yards or 201 meters long.

**Gadje.** The *Romani* word for anyone who is not *Rom*.

**Gallows.** The structure from which criminals were hung as a form of capital punishment.

**Gaol.** Jail.

**Gristle.** Cartilage.

**Groat.** A coin worth four English pennies.

**Hippocras.** Spiced wine with honey.

**I Puri Daj; O Puri Daj.** The *Romani* terms for grandmother.

**Jongleur.** A traveling minstrel.

**Kumpania.** A group of families who travel together.

**Leading strings.** Strips of fabric sewn to the child's clothing at the shoulders that were used to help children learn to walk. Also used to control children's movements.

**Leeches.** Worms that suck blood.

**Lime. limes, limed.** A powdery white substance from limestone or shells used in the process of tanning leather.

**Lungo Drom; O Longo Drom.** The long road, or the journey that *Rom* people traveled.

**Mahrime.** Unclean.

**Marchpane.** Marzipan, a candy made of sweet almond paste.

**Maslin.** Dry bread that is half rye and half wheat.

**Mechanick.** A manual laborer.

**Minstrel.** A medieval entertainer who sang.

**Mummer.** A mime.

**Mutton.** Meat from a mature sheep.

**Nonconformist.** A person who did not agree with and follow the rules of the official Church of England.

