## My name is MELALEUCA

It comes from the Greek words 'Mela' meaning black and 'Leuca' meaning white

My name was chosen in 2002, as both a statement and a symbol Portraying the diversity of people who come to Melaleuca as clients, staff, volunteers and communities

I am a tree that is native to Darwin and the Top End of Australia and an important resource to the traditional people of the area

My name conveys what the people felt best represented the organisation I am called

I am shelter I am new growth sending down roots I am strength I am resilience and I am beauty

I am the tree as that survives with its roots in water for half the yearand on dry land for the other half

Melaleuca nurtures and sustains life in harsh environmental conditions. Every part of me as a tree can be used for sustainability

My bark is used to build shelters, laid over structures to provideshade and keep out the elements

It can also be used for cooking to give life

My wood can be used to build structures and burnt for warmth and cooking My leaves are used for medicinal purposes, as can the oil extracted from my leaves

For the shade I give ... I invite people to gather and sit with me A place to meet, exchange, talk, share wisdom, heal and transform

I am Melaleuca

Wherever you are from, whoever you are, no matter who is journeying with you and wherever you are going...

## Welcome

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