

Prayer letter March 2017

As I shoveled snow in February with the wind whipping frigid air and snow around me on all sides, I longed for the wind to JUST STOP! But then, I remembered that we will soon have many of you from all over the world here for the DIAKONIA Assembly and we will be thinking about being *shaken by the wind!*

Today we find needs and concerns everywhere. We give thanks to God for the women and men doing *diakonia* are in those places that need healing and hope, providing care in God's name. One of the highlights of DIAKONIA Assemblies is to come together to be strengthened for ministry, to be encouraged and to encourage others, to hear and listen about concerns around our world, and to worship and praise with sisters and brothers from around the world.

We will be Shaken by the Wind . . .

TO CREATE COMMUNITY

TO ROCK THE FOUNDATIONS

TO FACE THE CHAOS

TO EXPERIENCE THE UNKNOWN

TO FORM A NEW PERSPECTIVE

TO NOURISH HOPE

TO BE SCATTERED TO SERVE

Lord, where two or three gather in your name, you promised to be with them and share their fellowship. Look down upon your servants preparing to gather together in Assembly, those who will welcome, present, worship and praise and those who will remain at home in service, graciously pour out your blessing upon all of us; in Jesus name we pray. Amen

Come, sisters and brothers, join us from the north and south, the east and west, blown into the windy city of Chicago.

It is not too late to register! www.diakonia-world.org

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