

Prayer Letter Diakonia July 2024

In June the DWF Executive Committee had the pleasure of meeting in person in Tanzania. We were guests of the Ushirika Wa Neema community in Moshi. A convent in the shadow of Mt



Kilimanjaro. www.usirikawaneemaconvent.org

Reflecting on our time there I was drawn to **Micah 4-1**

“ In the last days the mountain of the LORD’s temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and peoples will stream to it.”

The mountain towers over the area, silent, often hidden. Dominating the thoughts and minds of many and when the cloud clears and you glimpse the top, your breath is taken away. We stood in awe on various occasions as the colour and light changed from moment to moment.

It is easy to worship, exalt and be in awe of a mere mountain. A huge hunk of rock, extinct, dormant. How much more then should we embrace the mountain of the Lord. Living here for only a week reminded me of how much we rely on God yet so often forget, ignore or minimise the impact on us.

As we planned next year Assembly, we hope many of you will stream to a time of renewal, reflection and inspiration.

Prayer .

Heavenly father, the beautiful scenery and structure of the earth often stops us in our tracks. We pause and draw breath in awe of the wonders of your creation. Yet your word reminds us that the real beauty and real wonder should be reserved for you. Whoever we are, and wherever in the world we read this we are reminded that you are the Lord of heaven and earth, worthy of our worship and praise. Build us up to be strong and courageous in the shadows of mountains which tower over us.

Heal us, free us and refresh us.

In Jesus holy name, Amen

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