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Women In Ministry!

Greetings from Sunny & Hot Arizona!

I'm so excited for this opportunity to serve as Convener of Qara, and to begin connecting with all of you! As summer begins to wind down, I eagerly anticipate the changing of seasons. For us in Arizona, it is the change from *hot* to *not so hot*. On a personal level, it's the excitement and anticipation of transitioning and changing of seasons in ministry! I'm continuing to learn what it means to embrace each season knowing that the mountains, hills, and valleys may change, but God's love, peace and compassion will not be removed.

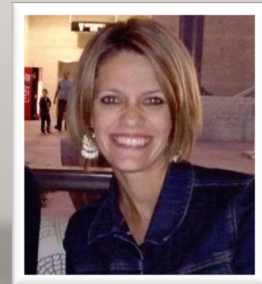
"Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you." Isaiah 54:10

Seasons and change may go together like peanut butter and jelly; like palm trees and coconuts; like movies and popcorn; but how we usher in the new season in is always a surprise. Sometimes the season of change is welcome as new doors open for us to pursue our passions and calling; while other doors remain closed as we wait, and wait, and wait some more. Oftentimes, we resist the changing of the season altogether.

I am praying for you all in your season of ministry: your season of adventure, your season of anticipation, your season of discouragement, your season of joy, your season of burnout, your season of hope, and/or your season of waiting. Whatever seasons you may find yourself in, know the Lord's unfailing love, peace, and compassion has not been removed.

Peace and Grace, Randee

"The strategies and goals of Qara are to support, educate, advocate, and network women in ministry."



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