



Dear Inner Wheel Friends,

The end of the calendar year is approaching. In a lot of countries Christmas will be celebrating. Traditionally Christmas is everywhere on earth the symbol of peace. But the world is nowadays facing the violence of terrorism. A lot of our countries have experienced it recently.

Thank you for all your messages of solidarity. We have all to be United against it. We have to be careful, vigilant.... but life goes on.

So does Inner Wheel life.

Our Unique organisation is growing. Since 1<sup>st</sup> of July 35 new clubs have been created, some with a unique name as "Chennai Unique" and "Chennai United". Or a new club with 102 charting members!

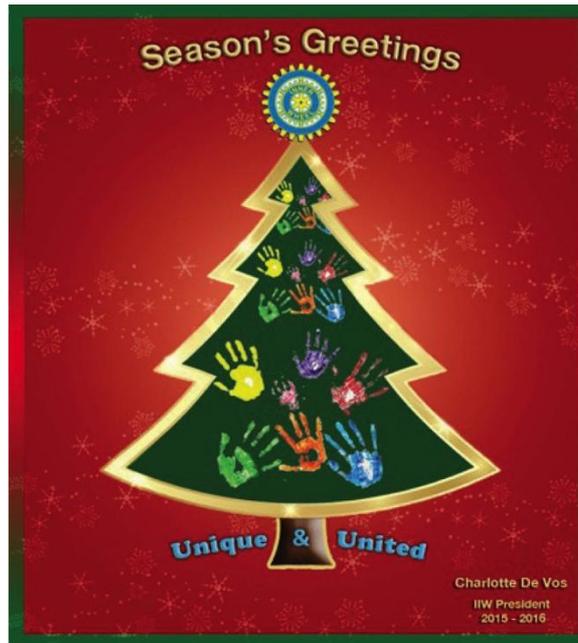
Some countries are growing easily; some countries faces more difficulties and do their best to create new clubs as well. I hope we will welcome soon a club in a new IW country Moldavia.

At this time the December mailshot will go out. Pay attention to all documents in it.

You will find the minutes of the Governing Body Meeting of October 2015 with the financial statements of the year 2014-2015.

You will find all voting papers for the next Governing Body. As democratic organisation, it is important that all clubs use their right to vote.

The elections are for the year 2016-2017. In April 2018 will be held the 17<sup>th</sup> International Inner Wheel Convention in Melbourne (Australia). The elected Vice-President 2016-2017 will be the Convention President.



#### President Charlotte's Message

Let's take the time to appreciate what this year has given us and what the New Year is about to bring.

Don't think of the opportunities that you have missed in the last year. The New Year is an unwritten book, so choose your actions and words wisely and fill it up with pages that are worth reading by the end of the year.

Best wishes for a healthy 2016 for you, your family and friends.

Best wishes for a successful year.

And most of all, best wishes for a peaceful 2016.

And finally you will find my Christmas and New Year wishes. My special thanks to our administrator Elaine for the idea of the Christmas tree combined with the now very famous hands of my 7 grandchildren.

Thanks to my daughter Julie for her modern Christmas tree design, and thanks to my friend and Board Director Ashnadelle Hilmy-Mortagy for the Season's Greetings card.

Let us all be united in this end of the year, to celebrate in friendship.

“Faith makes all things possible.  
Hope makes all things work  
Love makes all things beautiful  
May you have all the three for 2016”

Charlotte De Vos  
IIW President 2015-2016