Truth Caller

Dear Church family,

Greetings in the name of our living Lord Jesus Christ!

As we approach Easter this year, we are filled with hopeful anticipation rather than what we had in the past two years. This year, we are anticipating Easter and are making plans on how we will buy some beautiful spring clothes and welcome Spring. This year we look forward to spending Easter with our loved ones. For the past two years with Covid being around our lives were filled with Fear. Now moving forward from Covid and the pandemic we have the fear of global inflation and adding on to it the war in Ukraine. It seems like we just get out of one bad news but are introduced to yet another bad news.

However, there is great hope! There is good news! The Good News is that after three days and three nights of his crucifixion Christ rose from the dead. He came and met his disciples with a message saying, "Peace be with you." We tend to get caught up with the worries and uncertainties of this life, but we can have faith in the promises of God. John 3:16 reminds us "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." We have the biggest promise that if we believe in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ as our Lord and Savior we have the promise of Eternal life. What a beautiful promise that is!

We all have a choice that we each can make during these days. Either to be stuck feeling hopeless and let the worries of the world burden us, or we can choose to be Hopeful for the day of the Lord which he has promised through Jesus Christ his son. "For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:17-18).

My prayers for you and your family these days are that you are reminded of God's promises. We know that we serve a living God Jesus Christ our Lord who left his eternal glory to come on this earth two thousand years ago so we could be partakers and fellowship with him daily. Indeed, this Easter let this be a reminder to you and your loved ones. The resurrection of Jesus is the cornerstone of our hope, and it is a historical fact. Jesus did rise. He is risen! Christ the Lord is the Lord and King, he is Risen indeed he is Risen. "*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*" (*Romans* 15:13). May you experience all of God's goodness and love as you walk in faithfulness with our resurrected Lord.

In Christ,

Shermin Parmar

Pastor Sherwin Parmar

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