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EVANGELIZING THE HEART OF THE BELIEVER

Letters of Faith

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“Don’t be afraid, for I AM with you. Do not be dismayed, for I AM your God.

I AM will strengthen you. I AM will help you.

I AM will uphold you with My victorious right hand.”

(Isaiah 41:10)

Dearly Beloved,

We are all preparing to celebrate the greatest gift of God to mankind: the birth of His only Son, Jesus, as a man. What a joyous time it is! We pray that you will all completely immerse yourselves in a holy celebration of our Lord’s miraculous and life-giving birth.

This is also a time for all of us to lean into the Words of God that declare His presence amongst us as God Almighty — Words that proclaim His strengthening and help in times of deepest need, and assure us that He is the one and only true God who upholds us in His victory with His powerful right hand! Our country is under assault from evil forces committed to destroy the very core values upon which our government is based, and in our small clan alone we face physical, financial, and mental problems we never imagined we would have to overcome. We are learning individually and as a family a whole new dimension of what it means to be totally dependent on our Lord Jesus.

But God’s Word to us continues to prompt us to: **“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”** (Prov. 3:5-6) These spiritually empowering and directing words were some of the very first we received from the Holy Spirit as He started to lead us on our adventures with Jesus 40 years ago. We are even now daily coming into deeper meanings of these admonitions and greater experiences of God’s grace to walk in them in victorious ways. We are referring, of course, to Gretel’s diagnosis of Alzheimer’s in her mind and Paul’s diagnoses of myasthenia and neuropathy in his legs. Beloved, we relate to the words of Billy Graham in his new book about approaching the “finishing line” as he declares he (like us) has come to realize the truth in the expression: “Growing old is not for sissies!”

We can testify to the truth and encouragement to us in Paul’s words to the Corinthian Church: **“And He has said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.’ Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may dwell in me.”** (2 Cor. 12:9) We are learning how to really do that!

As we grow in this dimension of Spiritual strength in hard places, we have become aware that our personal battles are parallel to the conflict in which our great nation is engulfed. The governmental foundations divinely constructed by our founding fathers (our national “legs”) are under severe attack by relentless attempts to disrupt their strength, agility, and steadfastness. The inherited national mindset of being a brave, just, honest, law-abiding, and free people is being made dysfunctional by the dysfunction of our courts, lawmakers, and lawbreakers.

Please join us in prayer for divine cures for Gretel’s and Paul’s “dysfunctions,” and with the same faith-filled fervor, pray for divine healing and deliverance from all the attacks on our nation’s constitutional underpinnings and our Judeo-Christian mindset.

All of us here at RCM wish you the most blessed Christmas and the blessing of God’s favor on your life during the coming days.

Huge Christmas Hugs!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul & Gretel". The script is cursive and fluid, with the ampersand being particularly stylized.

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