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Grace and Peace unto the Church of God which is at Philadelphia, The Grace Baptist Church of Germantown, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus called to be saints with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord both yours and ours. Grace be unto you and Peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God always on your behalf for the grace of God which is given you through Jesus Christ, that in everything you are enriched by him, in all utterances and in all knowledge even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: so that you come behind in no gift, waiting for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ who shall confirm you unto the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. God is faithful by whom you were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

I want to take this moment to just offer some words of encouragement as we are still in this moment. I want you to know that we are consistently in prayer and seeking, listening and waiting on God to make a way out of what seems to be no-way. I am reminded of the words of the Apostle Paul as he conveyed these words to the church at Philippi in that 4th chapter and the 6th verse where he says: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer, supplication and with thanksgiving let your request be made known unto God. And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus".

Though we may desire to move in a suspicious way of trying to deal with the current circumstances that we face globally, we still caution all of our members as well as others about the rising and the increase of person being diagnosed with the Coronavirus. Especially with those who are under the age of 40 and below. As of now, we are seeing increased numbers of our younger brothers and sisters becoming more vulnerable to this virus. We eagerly urge all of our young adults and youth to please be very careful as to the suggested measures that have been put in place to address the social distancing and the methods that have been given by the CDC and the WHO (World Health Organization) and let us abide by them. I am equally asking that you be conscious of our seniors and any underlying conditions that may exist. It is a time like this that we must become more discipline in our behavior and our approach as we are still journeying along in this pandemic.

We, once again, congratulate the graduates and the celebration on June 28, 2020. The drive up/drive by really offered the magnificent opportunity to breathe in the fresh air and to share in brevity the joys of progress for our graduates. Once again, we encourage all to be safe and we will continue to adhere to the orders of safety at this time.

God's Patience,

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