

"Wash away all my guilt and make me clean again.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and make my spirit right again" Psalm 51:2,10 (NCV)

I can't believe it's already April! The Lenten season will soon be behind us. However, I strongly believe that we are all motivated by our Lenten journey, enriched by Lenten devotionals and studies on the Feasts of the Old Testament, which contain divine elements related to Jesus Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection. The Scriptures testify that the intended purpose of the Feasts of the Old Testament, celebrated by the Jewish people for one thousand years, has been fulfilled in Christ Jesus. Through His death and resurrection, Jesus Christ has brought new meaning to life and has given us a new commandment of love: to walk in the newness of life, as Christ has left us an example to follow in His footsteps.

This year, considering our journey through Lent, we will observe Maundy Thursday with a different intention: we will engage in a symbolic act of washing, cleansing, and renewal. We will have a bowl filled with water, index cards, and red washable markers. During the service, participants will write on the index cards, using the red markers, whatever they would like to leave behind when they feel moved.

We will have a few minutes of silence with soft music in the background. Then you will be invited to come forward with your cards, whether it be something that has weighed on your heart for so long that you are ready to let go of, or the initials of someone you want to forgive, etc. As we see the ink from the markers dissolve into the water, turning red in the bowl, it will display a deep mingling and symbolize the washing and cleansing of our iniquity through Christ's blood.

I believe this experience will motivate us as we return home, knowing that we are being renewed, forgiven, and sent out to continue following Jesus' example. When we come back on Easter morning, we will carry a sense of newness and celebrate our victory.

I hope to see you all on Maundy Thursday and Easter morning! May Christ rise anew within you, and may He dwell in your hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit. May you be encouraged and strengthened, and may the Holy Spirit sanctify you and keep you unto eternity. Amen!

Happy Easter!

Pastor Owar





## Dear Church Family,

Apay and I thought it would be a great idea to give you an update on our progress and our plans to relocate to our church community. March 3rd marks one

year since we accepted your call and began our journey with your church family.

Although relocating was our primary goal for the past year, we unfortunately faced unforeseen life challenges that hindered our progress. Apay was diagnosed with neuropathy (possibly CMT), lost her job, and we encountered some financial constraints during this time. Despite these setbacks, we want you to know that we are making some progress, and we have not given up on our goal of being part of your community. As scripture says, we can make plans, but only God can bring our steps to fruition (Proverbs 16:9).

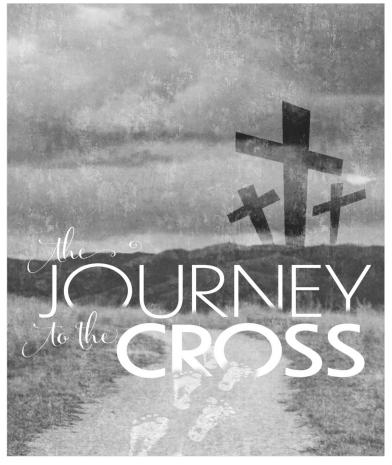
We kindly ask for your continued prayers, as we believe that nothing is impossible for God. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Warm regards,
Pastor Owar & Apay,
and children

## Hello!

## Have you watched "The Chosen"?

Whether you're a longtime viewer or this is your first time, we invite you to come watch three episodes together as a family. "The Chosen" is a multiseason series that portrays the life and ministry of Jesus through the perspectives of those who interacted with Him.



It aims to present Jesus' identity

and His invitation for a relationship with humanity in a way that resonates with modern audiences.

We will be showing three episodes of the series during Holy Week, from 6:00 PM on Monday through Wednesday. Join us as we envision walking with Jesus to Jerusalem and accompanying Him to Calvary through videos, music, meditation, and prayer—perhaps with some popcorn!  $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$ 

