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Korean Zion Presbyterian Church

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Dear Zion Presbyterian Church family members,

According to the Bible, the living Word of God, the distinguished, true, and ever-responsible hope is “Jesus Christ.” God, who called us to the work of the Hope, which is the accomplishment of salvation through the cross and resurrection, taught us that the Hope that we, as God’s people and Jesus’ disciples, should continue to hold here and now is the “grace”(awards) in heaven when Jesus will come again. As the people who hope the awards and as the people who have the “Hope distinguished,” the way that we should take is to be heard **“discarding the previous conducts before knowing Jesus and realizing the Holiness of God, the fulfillment of salvation, in all conducts.”**

In the Bible, the meaning of holiness is “distinction.” The distinguished way for Christians is hard to take. But, we should go because “God is distinguished.” The “distinction of God” means that God is the Creator and Savior. Just because the “grace distinguished” of God by “distinguishing” us from others and set us in the salvation, we were saved. This is the “redemptive narrative,” in which we can find His distinction.

When we finish the race of year 2020, we can have a moment to think how we lived in 2020 as our motto states, “Christians (Church) having hope in God.” We have thankful heart but at the same time, we are very sorry for our unfaithful life by putting our hope in God. Nevertheless, we, having the truly distinguished Hope, should walk to the way of God’s people. Meeting the new year 2021, rather than having willful and deciding moment for the life “having hope in God” again, we are supposed to have zeal for inmost meditating and deep knowing “distinction of Father God” who is in the center of redemptive grace. Because from there, we, having “Hope distinguished,” can realize the true “distinction” in our life as the vine branches can bear vine as long as they abide in the Vine (John 15:5). We pray that we the Zion will be able to realize “the life of those who have Hope distinguished” by relying on Jesus Christ, the Vine!

❖ News to be Shared

1. **New Year’s Eve Worship 2020** will be done in Hybrid format (Church & Home) at 11 p.m. on 12/31 EM & KM together, composed of Watching video clip of 2020, Worship, and Prayer Concert.
2. **Church Motto for 2021: “Church Very Bold In HOPE”**
This is the motto for 2021 to be pursued by Zion community with one faith and one passion. By holding the true HOPE, the holy Triune God, we want to dream together ‘the dream of faith’ in 2021 with which we can realize “very bold rise” not “a simple maintenance.” At the same time, we want to be built on the blessed place where we can find, experience, and enjoy the holy Triune God who is working through our weak faith and humble cooperation.
3. **Officers’ Meeting (Expenditure of 2020 & Budget of 2021)** will be held on January 10th, 2021(LD) right after KM worship in the Church & at Home simultaneously. All officers received the postal package including 1) Previous Minute, 2) Expenditure of 2020, 3) Budget of 2021, 4) Participation Paper, 5) Returning Envelope (postage affixed), and the detailed explanation along with pastor Lee’s pastoral philosophy in action. While praying, please read all the documents carefully and participate in the officers’ meeting with trust in God. If you need two participation papers in your family because you have two officers in your family, then please put your names and roles in the one paper as well as writing down any opinion on the space in the paper. After that, please send the paper to the church by next Friday (January 8th, 2021).

In Jesus Christ, Zion Presbyterian Church Session