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Korean Zion Presbyterian Church

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Dear Zion Presbyterian Church family members,

In his life, the biggest crisis for Jacob was to meet with his brother, Esau. After finishing what he could do with his personal effort and ideas for his life, Jacob ardently prayed for help to God based on the promise of God, which was done by God about 20 years ago. God led Jacob even though he did manage his life by himself rather than letting God lead his life, by putting Him aside for the last 20 years. So, Jacob could wrestle with (pray to) the man(angel) at the ford of the Jabbok. Not based on the idea that sincerity, in terms of Jacob's endless efforts, moves heaven, but based on God's grace, Jacob could stand at the ford. The process of name change for Jacob, from Jacob to Israel, tells two things. First, Jacob's life was changed from "Isra – Jacob" to "Isra – el," in other words, from "Jacob-led life" to "God-led life." Second, even in the past years, God led Jacob's life. In Christ, through His cross and resurrection, we became "Israel," which is those who have "God as our Lord and Responsible Being." However, still, we are used to living our life with consideration of ourselves as our Lord; "Isra – (our name)." In the continuation of our life, in remembrance of our new status, "Israel" – God is in charge of our life in "grace," we pray that all of us can walk the way for Jesus' disciples by relying on Jesus Christ with prayer!

❖ News to be Shared

1. Please prepare our Regular Congregational Meeting with Prayer

- When: 2/7 (LD) Right after KM worship
- Format: Hybrid
- Who: Over 18yrs old of Good Standing Registered Members of Zion Church
- Agendas: Expenditure 2020 & Budget 2021
- Participation at home: Through the new link sent to those who requested participation, you can be in the meeting.

2. Wholesome Worship

- Let us pray for and realize that in 2021 Zion community would do wholesome worship and value worship as the most important one!

3. Yearly Ministry Plan, Cell Groups, Officers, Service Team of 2021

Being established and announced soon by the session. Please continue to pray for this!

4. About COVID-19 Vaccination

- Maryland is not in Emergency related to COVID-19 anymore based on the declaration of the governor on the last January 25th (Monday). Since then, older than 65-year-old residents, who are in category 1C, can be vaccinated in Baltimore county, where Zion Church resides. About 3 million vaccines are necessary for covering all the people under phase 1 (1A, 1B, and 1C). We can be vaccinated at Safeway, Rite Aid, Giant Food, and Walmart, along with hospitals and medical centers. If we want vaccination, then we can contact family doctors or directly go to the nearby vaccinating places and can be vaccinated with appointments. According to the report on the last Wednesday (January 27th, about 420,000 Marylanders were vaccinated and about 20,000 shots are given to unvaccinated Marylanders.

In Jesus Christ,
Zion Presbyterian Church Session