Dear All Nations church family,

This current COVID-19 crisis has afforded us an opportunity to reassess our priorities and evaluate our preparedness for pressing times. It has given us a window to examine our obedience, our faith, and our trust in Whom we say we believe.

This is not a time to panic and be fearful. We cannot allow stress and anxiety to threaten our spirit. The inspired author, Ellen G. White, reminds us in Messages to Young People (p 98) that "Words cannot describe the peace and joy possessed by him who takes God at His word. Trials do not disturb him; slights do not vex him. Self is crucified. Day by day his duties may become more taxing, his temptations stronger, his trials more severe; but he does not falter; for he receives strength equal to his need."

A few texts to undergird the truth of that statement and focus on the promises of God:

John 14:27 – "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

Philippians 4:19 – "My God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

Matthew 6: 25-33 – "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life ... But seek ... first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Let us keep each other in prayer as the days ahead unfold.

May God bless you,

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