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#### Dear Friends:

"Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen." Revelation 1:5-6

## Jesus...The First Responder!

Jesus Christ... faithful witness, firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. These three powerful names of God with all-pervading depth of meaning are packed marvelously into a couple of verses. Praise God these verses apply to we who know Him and to those yet needing to respond to Jesus' Gospel Message call before the trump of God resounds!



**Heather and John Tayloe** 

I think too of this verse from 1 Corinthians 15:20-23 saying, "But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died.... everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life... Christ was raised as the first of the harvest; then all who belong to Christ will be raised when he comes back."

Let us rejoice in knowing that our Jesus is the First Responder to the Greatest Need humanity ever had! It was true at the writing of His supreme Word and it remains unshakable at this intense moment! Be encouraged! Jesus ran toward and not away from "the worst of the worst" trouble. That's what our King does! Let this sure reminder of this heaven and earth-shaking truth spur you on until His soon coming!

Only a week or so back, our nation passed a difficult, 20-year mile-marker of a day where many of us watched, with incredulity, the grim understanding of the heinous events that unfolded. Most of us can still recite our exact whereabouts as those events touched us so deeply. Many things over those particular days penetrated the American soul leaving a nasty scar on our national historical record.



Even as we reflect today, one thing emerged from the ashes of those heart-stopping moments. Like small green plants pushing through a volcanic aftermath, were the emerging stories of countless heroic acts by our incredible first responders, whether they were police, emergency medical or fire personnel, along with every day Americans moving in one way or another to help others selflessly. Many, we know, lost their lives in doing so. We viewed such acts then as we view them today ... as EXTRAORDINARY heroism.

Our beloved King Jesus acted in the same manner. He ran toward failing, broken, scared, confused, sin-bound, scarred, doubt-riddled and hell-bent humanity to provide a road map to certain salvation in Himself. He knew what the Father wanted and carried out the Father's redemption plan to perfection with His own body. Hallelujah! "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

# The King Is Coming Again!

As you and I witness the disintegration of many things that matter greatly to us, we're left with the question, what will <u>we</u> choose to do with whatever time He graciously grants to each of us as He draws near?

Hebrews 13:20-21 "Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete (perfect) in every good work to do His will, working in you (us) what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen"

Romans 10:13 tells us, "For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Acts 2:21, Joel 2:32 "We keep earnestly putting out the call to those who are perishing as our King bid us to do." He was, after all, our First Responder, when we had no hope. He loved us first (1 John 4:19)



#### **VOICE OF HOPE - ISRAEL**

This powerful outreach is a strategic End-Time voice that is so important right now. The Salvation message of Jesus Christ is reaching into a population of over 40-million people living in Israel, Syria, Jordan and Lebanon. Our online streaming service and phone Apps extend our impact into the entire world.





My dear friend Michael Escalante passed away this month. Michael founded a ministry

Radio Encounters International after the Lord gave him an amazing vision 30 years ago to pioneer Christian radio in Mexico. This was of course impossible.... but God!

After a lifetime of working and waiting the doors opened a few years ago and Michael fulfilled the word of the Lord! A result of holding fast and with an unbroken gaze upon His savior Jesus, Michael became the father of Christian radio in Mexico reaching millions of people and breaking the silence and the dam of spiritual forces opposing Jesus' Salvation message of love in that nation.

I will remember Michael as an arrow shaped by God and shot out of His bow for a specific target... The bullseye of spiritual history to a people He dearly loves. "Well done thou good and faithful servant... Enter in to the joy of your Lord!" Matthew 25:23

The broadcast net is still being cast out daily as Romans 5:8 reminds us, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Even while writing this letter, the triumphant anthem is playing in my spirit from the old, familiar Gaither song The King is Coming, "O the King is coming, The King is coming! I just heard the trumpets sounding, And now His face I see; O the King is coming, The King is coming! Praise God, He's coming for me! Praise God, He's coming for me!"

Dear friend, stand on these eternal Scripture stones from the Word of God while you contend for the Faith. And help us continue in *our First Responder* broadcast work as long as it is day. John 9:4

## **Generous Missionary Giving:**

God has continued to bless the powerful outreach of Strategic Communications Group's VOICE OF HOPE radio stations in times of great trouble on earth. Please pray for the VOICE OF HOPE listeners, as many are hearing the Gospel for the very first time and saying "yes" to Jesus in these strategic days.

Thank you for your offerings and generous giving this month that allow the Gospel to be proclaimed with great strength! You are a blessing to the work of the Harvest. Thank you in Jesus' powerful name. May the Lord bless you and your family.

In God's fields of Harvest.

John and Heather Otis Tayloe Founders and President

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# **VOICE OF HOPE Listener Testimonies**

**Osmany Cabrera Herrera in Holguin Cuba:** "Dear friends at VOICE OF HOPE, I am a faithful listener of your station for several years. At this time I am listening to your music program Music and Ministry. A big hug from us.

**Ekhlas Mattar in Israel:** "Amen! May the Lord Jesus bless you and bless your ministry Nizar and Haneen! Wonderful songs and wonderful program on the VOICE OF HOPE.

**Leonardo from Pueblo Llano, Venezuela:** I recently found your station again, and am grateful for the broadcasts. Not all of us have good Internet service, and I'm glad you have not abandoned your listeners. Greetings to Mr. Martinez; thank you for his wonderful commentaries and reflections on God's word over the VOICE OF HOPE - AMERICAS.

**Harrison from Northern Zambia:** The radio is very clear and I enjoy the preaching and the songs. They keep me focused on God."

**Shahraban Haj in Ebilin, Israel:** "Your program that was talking about forgiveness had a powerful impact in my life, and I had to listen to it again this week because I was dealing with issue to forgive someone."

**Zahra Lefta in Iraq:** "Peace of Christ be with all the VOICE OF HOPE staff. I want to share my testimony and how Jesus saved me. Thank you!"

**Osaima from Rama Israel:** Great worship songs and wonderful to hear the living word of the LORD!

**Jaouad from Sidi Hajjaj, Morocco:** Listening to VOICE OF HOPE - AFRICA with good signal. Thank you for your programs!

**Marwan from Nazareth:** May GOD bless the VOICE OF HOPE and its programs! May you reach a lot of people by bringing them the call and the message of JESUS! I do pray this in the name of JESUS.

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