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Dear Brethren:

Greetings from the Philippines!

This is my second time sharing with you a message, and I am happy and blessed to have this opportunity to be able to write again to God's chosen people, the future Kings and Priests of God's Kingdom.

God's Plan of Salvation does not offer an easy way. A true Christian can call on God anytime he wants to, and God gives that man a chance to know that He is our God. But a man has to choose. In his lifetime, he has to choose if he will love God and follow His Commandments—or go with the flow, doing as the world does.

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it (Matthew 7:13–14, *King James Version* throughout).

God gave this parable about life and death. He inspired and gave this teaching to those who were called by Him. We know that we should choose the "narrow road," which is a way that is very different from that of the world. The way of the world, which is the "wide road," always leads to destruction.

God gave man his own free will. God gave us the ability to choose. If we will choose the right path, and go where God leads us, and if we will obey His Commandments, we will be able to hear the sound of the last trumpet, and inherit eternal life, becoming Kings and Priests in the Kingdom of God.

God does not discriminate among the ones He calls. Each one of us received the Holy Spirit though baptism, and the old, sinful ways must be left behind. Hence, we are now called "newly begotten." This is what Nicodemus, one of the rulers of the Jews, did not understand. He questioned Jesus how a man can be born again.

Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God (John 3:4–5).

God means that through baptism a man is begotten again, and if he will obey God's Commandments and follow in Christ's footsteps, his sins will be forgiven, and he will receive the eternal life promised.

That is why we are here today. Every year, we do not just claim to have faith, we make real sacrifices, because the Holy Spirit guides us and helps us to overcome trials and to resist real temptations of the world. In addition, we are here to strengthen and widen our Faith. We attend weekly and annual Sabbaths to listen and to learn the teachings of God and apply these lessons in our daily lives.

Many would say that we are few in number—a very small group. Well, there may come a time when we will be even smaller. We know that only God can call someone into His church. We are not focused upon increasing our numbers like the worldly churches do.

No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day (John 6:44).

We know that we are among the very few baptized members left in the true Church. We are just a few of those who will be teachers in the Millennium. Just as in schools, there are many students, but there are only a few teachers. We are called by God to be teachers to those who do not yet know Him. Most people make up their own beliefs. One example is the Hindu belief that the same soul exists in animals and human beings. That is why reeducation will be one of our missions during the coming Millennium.

Let us cherish and make use of our calling, because we are called by God and this is our first and only chance to be saved. We have been made aware of what is going to happen in the future. God only gave us a short life in this human world. We have heard in one of Mr. Brisby's messages that everything a man has made in this world will be destroyed by a great earthquake such as no man has ever experienced.

And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great (Revelation 16:18).

This is really strong. Imagine the mountains, that are the highest in the world, will be flattened because God will change the design of the world. And this will be the real life of mankind. In the coming times, all the animals will be different. Even the insects will not bite anymore.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord (Isaiah 65:25).

It will be a wonderful time when the Millennium comes. That is the life that God has prepared for the world under our rule with Jesus Christ. And everything that we have heard and believe, is written in the Bible.

So brethren, let us always be ready. Let us not lose hope, let us not be discouraged, and let us not get tired of doing what is right and obeying God's Commandments until the end. "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved" (Matthew 24:13).

Not even the angels in heaven know the hour and year when the Lord Jesus Christ will return. Jesus Christ, when He was in the flesh, said:

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only (Matthew 24:36).

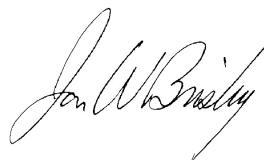
Let us always remember Galatians 6:9: "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

So brethren, let us not get tired of keeping the Commandments and doing what is right toward everyone, especially our brothers and sisters in the Faith. The time will come when all of us who endure until the end will be rewarded.

Your servant in Christ,

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