

August 31, 2020

Greetings in the Matchless Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As you may know, on Sunday, August 30, 2020, during the City Of Praise 10am Zoom Worship Celebration, we experienced hacking from an upstart group of Neo-Nazi racists. Sadly, hundreds of Zoom participants were exposed to obscene and bigoted language, along with hate symbols. This unfortunate incident also included a barrage of insults leveled at worshippers like the N-word and touting that they were from a group called the "All White World." For the many children and adult congregants whose worship time was adversely affected, we are sincerely remorseful, and members of the COPFM technical team are working to ensure we experience a more protective and secure environment. We would also like to extend our sincere love to those who made a conscious decision to intervene in the Ministries' Zoom service. While you may hate us, we unequivocally love you. Your unfortunate attack on us and negative language has urged us to pray for you. Like us, you are created in God's Image. This truth alone makes us connected as one race: the human race.

The hurtful language you used proposes that you are hurting deep in your soul, and have solicited others who are wounded and wondering. This is not an unusual plight as all of us struggle to grasp peace within this world without receiving the type of love which can only come from our Creator. This love is unconditional and is not contingent upon color or past failures.

If no one has ever told you, you are loved and your life has wonderful significance. Those who have told you that to protect America you must fear diversity and hate those who are different, are in great error. They were taught to hate because their parents taught them to hate. By virtue of you reading this, you are chosen to be the generational curse breaker of your family. By joining us in loving one another as the family of Christ, you literally change the direction of your family and unlock the goodness in the hearts of family members not yet born.

As we stand together, we invite you to become a part of the Christian Faith. Simply say, "I confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and that He died for my sins and rose from the dead. I also forgive every person who has wounded me. I forgive them and hold them harmless. This is my prayer in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!"

That short, yet powerful prayer makes you saved and a valuable part of the Family of Christ.

May heaven smile upon your life and WELCOME TO THE FAMILY.  
In God's Image,



Bishop Joel & Pastor Ylawnda