



**Transfiguration  
Sunday**

Welcome to  
worship! Please  
complete a  
Connection Card  
and place the card  
in the offering  
plate.  
Thank you!

Today's festival is a  
bridge between the  
Advent-Christmas-  
Epiphany cycle that  
comes to a close  
today and the Lent-  
Easter cycle that  
begins in several  
days. On a high  
mountain Jesus is  
revealed as God's  
beloved Son, echo-  
ing the words at his  
baptism. This vision  
of glory sustains us  
as Jesus faces his  
impending death in  
Jerusalem. We turn  
this week to Ash  
Wednesday and  
our yearly baptis-  
mal journey from  
Lent to Easter.  
Some churches put  
aside the alleluia at  
the conclusion of  
today's liturgy. This  
word of joy will be  
omitted during the  
penitential season  
of Lent and will  
be sung again at  
Easter.

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Sunday, February 19, 2023, 9:30 am/Monday, February 20, 2023, 6 pm

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

**CALL TO WORSHIP**      *How Good Lord to Be Here*      **Senior Choir**

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**      *(please stand as you are able.)*

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One, source of our renewal, **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ☩ Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**      *How Good, Lord, to Be Here!*      **#315**

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### KYRIE

**pp. 184-185**

*Refrain*

Ky - ri - e      e - lei - son,      on our world and on      our way.

Ky - ri - e      e - lei - son,      ev-'ry day.

1      For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2      That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3      For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for  
4      For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty      of all;      for  
hun - gry      and the poor;      that  
friends and      fam - i - ly;      for  
wa - ter      and the word;      that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*(please be seated.)*

**WORD**

**FIRST READING: EXODUS 24: 12-18**

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” <sup>13</sup>So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” <sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: PSALM 2**

<sup>1</sup>Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?  
<sup>2</sup>**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD’s anointed?**  
<sup>3</sup>“Let us break their yoke,” they say; “let us cast off their bonds from us.”  
<sup>4</sup>**God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**  
<sup>5</sup>Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.  
<sup>6</sup>**“As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain.”**  
<sup>7</sup>Let me announce the decree of the LORD, who said to me, “You are my son; this day have I begotten you.  
<sup>8</sup>**Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**  
<sup>9</sup>You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”  
<sup>10</sup>**And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.**  
<sup>11</sup>Submit to the LORD with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;  
<sup>12</sup>**lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

*At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the LORD” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.*

*You are my son; this day have I begotten you. (Ps. 2:7)*

## SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." <sup>18</sup>We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup>First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup>because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (please stand as you are able.) **p. 188**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 17: 1-9

The holy gospel according to...

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup>Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup>And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

(please be seated.)

**SERMON**

**Walter Scanlon**

(please stand as you are able)

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Shine, Jesus, Shine**

**#671**

*At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture*

*Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.*

## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Embolden your church as it witnesses to the majesty and mercy of your Son. Equip lay preachers, deacons, and pastors. Move us to share our stories of your faithfulness and forgiveness; may our lives proclaim your greatness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Dwell with your whole creation, from the tallest mountain peak to the deepest valley. Bless the work of conservation organizations and protect vital habitats. Support the work of disaster relief agencies around the world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Guide and give wisdom to all in authority: our mayor and local leaders, our governor and state legislators, our president and national legislators. Bring freedom and justice to all nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Give shelter to those lacking safe homes. Spur communities to work for fair housing for all. Protect our neighbors whose dwellings do not keep out dangerous cold or heat; accompany with your touch those who are homebound, sick, or isolated. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Make us eager to receive your Word in scripture. Help us recognize Jesus' voice in the needs of our neighbors; make us confident to follow the way of the cross. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Receive our thanksgiving for the holy ones who have guided us in faithfulness and gathered even the unlikely as your people. With our forebears in faith and all who have hoped in you, teach us to wait with courage until the promised day dawns. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified. **Amen.**

## SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## MEAL

*(please be seated)*

## OFFERING

### OFFERING SONG

*Arise, Your Light Has Come!*

#314

### OFFERING PRAYER

*(please stand as you are able.)*

Liberating God, **you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior. Amen.**

*Renew our lives  
that we may  
welcome and  
care for one  
another and  
that we may  
live and serve  
within the  
greater com-  
munity of  
Negaunee and  
the world,  
witnessing to  
others your  
abundant love,  
grace, and  
welcome.*



# GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ..... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The risen Christ dwells with us here:  
 All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.*

### COMMUNION

**Pastor Terry Cathcart**

*(please be seated.)*

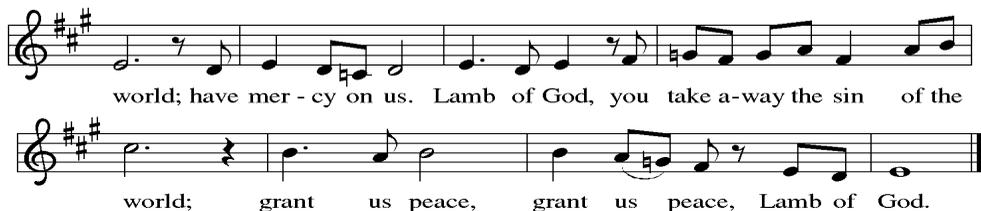
### LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
 mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world.

*We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/under the bread and wine.*

All baptized Christians who believe this true presence are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Parents, please assist your child(ren) if you wish them communed.



## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Beautiful Savior* #838

*Love Divine, all Loves Excelling* #631

*(please stand as you are able.)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table.

Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen.

## SENDING

## BLESSING

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always. Amen.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 19 - February 26, 2023

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\* **BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 85th Birthday to *Joyce Peterson* on February 26th.

\* **SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:** Christine (Daniel) Hendrickson, on the loss of her father, *Leonard A. Rukkila*, on Friday, February 3rd, at the Jacobetti Home for Veterans. Also, condolences to all of the Rukkila Family.

\* **FORTUNE LAKE SUMMER CAMP** Fortune Lake Registration is open for Summer Camp!

Camp offers an early bird discount through **April 1st** and Immanuel offers scholarships to campers of all ages. Contact Stacy McEachern by April 1st for scholarship details! Call or text: (906) 361-9123 or [stacymc6@gmail.com](mailto:stacymc6@gmail.com). Hurry, Hurry. Get your registrations in!

\* **PANCAKE EVENING BREAKFAST DINNER PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY** Our local Lutheran churches (the Northern Great Lakes Synod of the ELCA Conference 8) will be hosting a *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast Dinner* for local congregations & the wider community. 'Shrove' comes from the word 'shrive' meaning to absolve or hear confession. It is the eve of Ash Wednesday & thus Lent. It is a joyful day to celebrate & feast on items that you might be abstaining from in the more penitential season of Lent. It will be on **Tuesday, February 21st, 2023, from 4-7 pm, @ Immanuel Lutheran Church**. The meal is free, but a free-will offering will take place that will benefit Lutheran Campus Ministry at NMU & their upcoming trip to Iona Scotland. So, come, join the community, & feast on some pancakes with a variety of decadent toppings. **NOTE: THE CHURCH COUNCIL WILL NOT BE MEETING THAT NIGHT BUT WILL MOVE THEIR DATE TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, SAME TIMES.**



Pancake Breakfast



\***FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for February is FORTUNE LAKE YOUTH. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for Coffee hour. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact Stacy McEachern (361-9123) with your date and any item you wish to bring.



\***SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** A Sunday morning Bible Conversation Group meets after the 9:30 am worship service, at 11:00 am in the Youth Room for 1 hour. This is an opportunity for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. There is a team of people who have volunteered to share the leadership for this group. The members of the leadership team consists of Pastor Tom Skrenes, Luanne Skrenes, Martha Hayward, Dan Collins, Andrew Crow-Roberts, Walter Scanlon, Mike Frustaglio, Jim Hayward, and Pastor Terry Cathcart. Here is the list of leaders and their dates: **Feb. 19** - Walter Scanlon; **Feb. 26** - Mike Frustaglio; **Mar. 5** - Dan Collins; **Mar. 12** - Jim Hayward; **Mar. 19** - Andrew Crow-Roberts, **Mar. 16** - Terry Cathcart. *Mark your calendars and plan to come.*



\***VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)** The beginning date for Vacation Bible School will be June 12th, 2023. Watch for more details. We will be in need of enrollment helpers. For more information, contact Paulette Patron @ (906) 475-4776.



\***PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM (PKKW).** This Project, *Keep Kids Warm*, runs through the winter months. This fall over 300 youth have been given warm winter clothing and the need continues to grow. Desperately needed are warm winter coats sizes 6-12 and water repellent gloves/mittens. Your donations can be placed in the boxes located at the West entrance. If you have questions, please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) or Westley United Methodist Church.



\***LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS** ... will be starting Wednesday, March 1st. We will be needing soups, breads, & desserts. There will be a sign-up sheet posted near the Fellowship Hall door. Please sign-up for the dates and items you can provide. Your cooperation & volunteerism are greatly appreciated. The suppers start at 5:30 pm, followed by Lenten worship service at 6:15 - 6:45 pm in the sanctuary. Any monies donated during the supper will support Immanuel's Youth travel. Come and participate and enjoy!



\***BAR CHURCH, 'Ruthless Elimination of Hurry',** by John Mark Comer This group will be meeting on the following Thursdays: February 23, March 9, 23, April 13, 27, May 11, 25, 2023. There is also a Facebook group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/841985297052095/>, or scan the QR code. If you have any questions, please call Kaitrin Raymond at (540) 435-4915.



\***WEEKLY MEN'S LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST:** The weekly men's Lenten prayer breakfast will resume Saturday, February 25th, at 8 am. It will also be meeting on March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1st. There will be breakfast and coffee provided, followed by a 1/2 hour Bible study, discussing the lessons and gospel for Sunday. For any questions or more information, please call or text Walter Scanlon at 906-235-2294.



\***CONFIRMATION UPDATE** During this 'Call Process', Confirmation will look a little different this year. The confirmation classes will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month for fellowship and service opportunities from 6pm - 8pm, with dinner provided. Classes will be combined with confirmands from Immanuel, Prince of Peace in Harvey, & Messiah in Marquette. These sessions will allow the youth to learn & connect during this important part of their faith walk. This new program is still being cultivated with the help of new team leaders. If anyone has questions, please email Hayley Smith, [Hayley-smith@hotmail.com](mailto:Hayley-smith@hotmail.com), or call/text 906-367-4295. **NOTE: There is 1 more Confirmation Retreat. The 3rd Confirmation Retreat will be at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Harvey on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm.**





## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: *Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Joann Connors, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Peggy Jackson, John Kallioinen, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola (Sue Cohan's mother), Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Molly Taseris, Debbie Thornberg, and all COVID patients.*

Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.*

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*

## **VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE SERVING IN WORSHIP: Walter Scanlon Pastor Terry Cathcart**

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: *Connie Scanlon*

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

### ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS

- *Dean Patron*  
- *Jim Hayward*

6 pm - *Diana Bergh-Hetrick*  
*Deb Hicks*

9:30 am LECTOR

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6 pm - *Kevin Crupi*

9:30 am COMM. ASST.'S

- *Kathy Sundine*  
- *Al Sundine*

6 pm - *Kay Korpi*

- *Martha Hayward*

9:30 am Tech Team

- *Kaitrin Raymond*



(Communion Set-up for February is *Linda Sjolund.*)



**NOTICE:** As of today (2/16/2023) the Contribution Envelopes are not ready (per the Envelope Company). They are trying to get them to us as soon as they can. All we can do is be patient.

Please continue to use any envelope (there are envelopes provided in the sanctuary) to put your donation in. Or if you have ANY old 2022 envelopes, you can use them with the dates crossed off.

If cash, be sure to put your envelope # or your name on the plain envelope so you will be credited for your donation. Also, indicated where the funding should go: (for exp. General Fund, Building Fund, Monthly Mission, etc.). (If not indicated, it will go to General Fund.)

When the Contribution Envelopes come, I will certainly get them out to you ASAP.

*Thank you very much for your patience.*

# FEBRUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION

**IN FEBRUARY our Mission Emphasis is Messiah Lutheran Church Asylum Refugee Support.**

Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette is sponsoring a refugee family from Honduras in Central America seeking asylum in this country. The mother and two boys left Honduras over two years ago and spent two years at the Mexican border waiting for permission to enter this country. The family arrived in Marquette in August. The boys are in school and all are learning English. There are some long term medical issues that are being resolved. Asylum has not been granted yet but the process continues slowly and legally.



Thank you to Messiah for their continued financial and emotional support of this family. We are here to help you and the family with this undertaking.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use February's mission emphasis envelope (when they arrive) from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift.  
*Thank you for your generosity!*

**(NOTE: For now, please use a blank white envelope with 'Monthly Mission' written on it. Then, either have your envelope # on it or your name.)**

Thank you for giving \$ 755.00 in January to  
**Our Tanzanian Companion Ministry Relationships.**  
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!

