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Our Beloved Pathways Family:

I greet each of you with LOVE in the mighty name of Jesus Christ, our LORD and Savior. It is an understatement to say that 2020 was a year like none other I have experienced in my lifetime. The body of Christ has been challenged Spiritually, socially, politically, and physically. However, I am happy to testify to you that through it all, GOD has been faithful in His care for the righteous. He has kept us safe and provided for our every need according to His riches in glory. Even though we have suffered some setbacks in our physical growth and development as a congregation, God has remained faithful in showing us new and promising direction for this ministry.

Without interruption, we have been blessed throughout this pandemic to continue to offer regular worship and Bible study each week via teleconference since March 2020. Our youth ministry has been meeting and being taught by Minister Hines via the ZOOM platform. Our Spiritual counseling and prayer support has continued without interruption. All administrative functions have continued to operate at an excellent level with all reports and other member support functions continuing in a professional and timely manner. The Board of Directors continue to provide vigilant oversight of all ministry functions and excellent stewardship of the church's resources.

Relating to facilities, I have great news to report in that our former landlord was blessed to regain ownership of the building after a prolonged court battle and has given us the opportunity to reclaim our former church space. As an act of contrition and support for the church she has offered to lease the space back to us with a 20% reduction in our rent. This is significant since the former owners sought a 30% increase prior to our terminating the previous lease. I certainly believe this is divine intervention from God in answer to our prayers. This offer was presented to our Board in January for consideration and on February 8, 2021 the Board voted unanimously to accept the offer. We will execute a new lease in March with the goal of completing the move by June 1, 2021.

This action will provide stability for the church as we work to rebuild the fellowship and give us time to fully assess the impact of the pandemic on our congregation. We will put our building plans on hold for the near term and will share the new plans with you as they are developed. We anticipate being able to fully resume in person services this summer with the continued use of personal protective equipment and sanitation protocols. I ask each of you to be safe and continue to pray for this congregation's prosperity and success as God guides us on our PATHWAY of being "**A CHURCH of EXCELLENCE**".

Yours in Christ,

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