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Message of hope and encouragement

Two weeks after Easter, even if the world is still suffering from the effects of COVID-19, there is still hope and, "Life will prevail over death once again".

During times of epidemics like Covid-19, even as people of faith, it is easy for human beings to be anxious, to lose hope and joy. Today, the various political and economic conspiracy narratives around COVID-19 that we read and hear, coupled with the effects of COVID-19 may frighten people.

Now that many people are still confined in their homes and many church members are not going to church for their normal worship, it is worth reminding us that even if the building of worship is closed, we remain the Church of God wherever we are.

It is very important to continue to apply the directions of public health officials and government leaders to protect our own lives and the lives of others. In these difficult times, it is also very important to promote human solidarity, pulling together care for all those who face effects of COVID-19 with few resources, to show God's love and guarantee of survival.

Let us respond with hope, trusting in the loving and merciful God, in hope of a new day soon.

We believe in the love of God and the presence of the living Christ in situations like these.

The risen Christ makes all things new (Rev 21:5), and He sustains us in our vulnerability, guides us through darkness, and reconciles us with the source of life.

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