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## ***Dare to Believe!***



***“... My soul glorifies the Lord; and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,”***

*-Luke 1: 46-47*

*Dear Beloved of God,*

May our heart be lifted in praise this Advent Season as we celebrate the wonderful gift of Christmas, Jesus the Christ. God’s presence fulfills us with hope, joy, and peace and His abiding love is with us and our loved ones today and throughout the coming year.

While this season is a time to rejoice for many, there are still others among us for whom this Holy season represents despair, depression, despondences, sadness, loneliness, and grief for various reasons. We submit, that with Christ as our Lord and Savior, we will begin to experience true transformation and sense an exhilarating difference. He will replace our sadness with shouts of joy and our problems with praise.

So, we take this message of hope and faith to develop a stronger relationship with Him, who is exceeding, abundantly above all we can ask or ever imagine. We seek a deeper understanding of Him and who He is and what He

means to our lives. God fills all vacuums and vacancies with genuine joy which prompts us to magnify the Lord!

We must take the time to share His goodness with others and impart the miracle of this season.

As this year comes to a close, we are thankful for the blessings received and with great anticipation, expect what God has in store for the New Year.

We are excited about the manifestation of God's miraculous move in and through the Western Episcopal District as we embark upon a new path of praising, praying, planning and planting for church growth and sustainability. We look forward to communing with each other and connecting with believers beyond our borders.

Be encouraged and inspired by God's goodness and grace rejoicing that through Him all things are possible as we ***"Dare to Believe!"***

Anointed to Serve

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan Powell' with 'Staccato' written below it in a smaller, cursive script.

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