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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Again, I would like to address you; especially with Easter celebrations coming up end of this week.

All of you probably now have faced the Covid-19 situation in one way or another and you and your beloved ones are affected by it. As a communion of churches, together we stand strong and persistent in this. We are doing this via video conferences, e-mail, prayer alerts and the prayer itself.

This worldwide pandemic and the forced isolation coming with it, throws us back to the roots of our faith:

We believe that our LORD is greater than any virus and greater than any chaos in this world.

We believe that HE is with us, even in sickness and death.

We believe that with HIS help we will overcome the current crisis.

On this Friday, we will think of our Lord's suffering for each one of us at the cross. On Sunday, we will celebrate HIS resurrection.

And even, if in many places no service at church is possible this year and even if we are obliged to stay home, I would like to encourage you to worship together: Within the families, through telephone or through video conference on Maundy Thursday, Saturday night or Sunday morning.

Let us share this week the signs of Holy Communion in order to praise HIM for his mercy with us. No state banquet can keep up with this humble meal that we take from HIS hands: "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them". Matth.18,20

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Me, personally, I am overwhelmed by the faith and the comfort that we as Christians can provide and show each other. To me, that is the power of HIS love which shows itself strongest in times of hardship.

Wishing you and your families and all members of your church a celebration of Easter that lifts HIS name on high.

With greetings from all of the Management Team, I remain your brother in Christ



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