



The Global South Fellowship Of Anglican Churches (GSFA)

4th April 2021,

Dearly Beloved Brethren, Easter greetings in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ,

Easter is a season we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! Today is Resurrection Sunday! Together with all faithful Christian people, we bear testimony to the Lord Jesus Christ's triumph over sin and death as we celebrate His rising from the dead.

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die..." (John 11:25, 26). What a glorious HOPE to proclaim to all the world! And especially in these troubled times of the COVID-19 pandemic, ethnic conflict, national power struggles and natural disasters. We pray especially for Churches facing hard and hostile situations. Death is all around us BUT Jesus has conquered death and His love transforms our lives now!

As we celebrate Easter this year, I encourage all Provinces and Dioceses of the Global South Fellowship of Anglican Churches (GSFA) to connect together as one global body across the Communion to proclaim Jesus Christ and the new life He brings as authoritatively revealed in the holy Scriptures. We proclaim the Lord Jesus Christ by **our oneness-in-love** across the nations, **our telling forth of the good news** of what Christ has done through His death and resurrection, and **our good works in caring for people** in His name.

Standing on the faith once delivered, we help each other across borders to build a strong Church nationally and globally – one that is faithful to the Lord and His revelation, plus vibrant in mission and ministry. **We need each other.** Our visible unity is a witness to the power of the Gospel. Pray for representatives of our member Provinces and Dioceses as they prepare to assemble together for the **8th Global South Conference (8th TRUMPET)** in Cairo from 14th-17th October 2021. You will find out more by visiting the link on this website www.thegsfa.org for GSFA Updates.

May this Easter be to us a period in which we experience afresh the resurrection power of the Lord and continue yearning for it like St Paul who said: "***I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I want to suffer with Him, sharing in His death. So that in one way or the other, I will experience the resurrection from the dead***" (Php 3: 10-11). By the power of the Holy Spirit, the Church is to be 'a resurrection people' overcoming the darkness of the world, the flesh and the devil, and bringing LIGHT & LIFE to the nations (Ezek 37: 1-10; 47:1- 12).

We wish you all a HAPPY EASTER!

Yours in the service of the Risen Christ,

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