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Life and Joy Will Come

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Hello Friend,

I hope you are experiencing some joy in your life. Although, I know it's possible that you could be having some real struggles right now. Hopefully, this message and this time of year can spark some hope in you that things can change, that growth, new life, and beauty can emerge from darkness, cold, and death.

I'm talking about Easter and Springtime. Happy Easter!

This is the greatest season, because we see new life emerge from something that appeared dead. But what we know is that the trees and plants weren't really dead, they were just sleeping for a time, and now it's time for them to awake and live and grow again.

This is why Easter is so important. Our Savior made it possible for us to only be 'sleeping' for a short time when we die and then rise and live again in a glorious new body!

He has given us hope, that life and beauty and change can come from something that appeared to be ending. This season of Spring can remind us of that truth too.

So, remember, whatever hardship or trial, pain or suffering you are experiencing, it will end. Change and growth, new life and joy can emerge as you turn towards Christ and his loving power. It's the eternal nature of things. Life is change.

You were meant to have joy. It's there, ready to bud, and bring new life for you. Find out how Jesus Christ can help you. Seek and hear Him.

Have a wonderful Easter!

With love,

Bishop Williams

P.S.

I'm sorry to report that two of our ward members transitioned into their 'sleeping' state this week, even though we know their spirit lives on in peace.

- Brother Robert Van Hover passed away peacefully in his home in Spokane. We will have a memorial service for him here on May 14th. More details to be shared later.
- Sister Jane Glen also passed away in her home. We don't have details of a service for her yet.

Pray for their families to be comforted and find peace in the Savior and His resurrection.

- Next week is Stake Conference. It's a wonderful time to gather and be spiritually fed. Here are the details:
 - Stake Priesthood Leadership Meeting, Saturday, April 23rd, 4:00 p.m.
 - Saturday Evening Adult Session, Saturday, April 23rd, 7:00 p.m. (18 and older)
 - Stake Conference General Session, Sunday, April 24th, 10:00 a.m.

If you have health or other legitimate reasons why you can't attend in person, let me know, and I will send you the broadcast link.

- Join us for our Penny Creek Ward Bingo Night on Friday, April 29th, at 7:00pm. It'll be a fun time for socializing. (No money or gambling involved.)

- The full-time missionaries in our ward would love to have dinner with your family and share a spiritual message. Call or text them at 425-280-5035 to schedule a time.
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