

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy New Year! 2020 is finally over, but unfortunately we are still facing more Covid-19 numbers. I hope that you are all still using your masks to stay safe and healthy.

January is really going to be quickly and hopefully it will get us closer to meeting in person again. Some feel it could still be months away, but our faith will see us through.

I have attended as many Zoom meetings as possible and it is so wonderful to see those that also attend. If you have not attended a Zoom meeting, I hope that you will do so in the near future. If you need more information on how to do so, please contact one of the Grand Officers or someone in your chapter that could possibly help you. If you do not have a computer you could possibly go to someone's home (if you feel safe to do so) and attend a meeting with them. Believe me it is awesome to be with our Sisters and Brothers in any way possible. Any chapters that are having Zoom meetings, if you would send me an email invite, I would love to attend and spend time with you.



Those of you that saw my post on Facebook regarding the 100th birthday of Sister Evelyn Muncy, thank you so much for sending her a card. Evelyn called me and she was so surprised and happy to receive so many of them. Evelyn sends her love and thanks to each of you, she was so excited she said "Christel, I even received some from New Mexico and Ohio".

Sister Debi Huffman had been having Watch Parties on Facebook, but since Facebook has added so many restrictions she now does them on Zoom and they are wonderful. Each one has a theme and the music can literally take you back in time. Brother Jeff, our AGP, picked the songs this time and they were songs that told a story. His choices were awesome! Thank you Jeff and Debi! The next one will be a cappella groups, hope more of our members will join us, I know you will love it.

I apologize for not having any inspirational words, but I have found several sayings that I would like to share with you. From the Dalai Lama;

“There are only two days in the year that nothing can be done, one is called yesterday and the other is called tomorrow, so today is the right day to love, believe, do and mostly live.”

Life changes so quickly, we can be happy one day, empty and broken the next. If we learn anything through the trials, I pray it's to value the moments, treasure the memories and hold onto what counts. Make time each day to realize how fleeting life is and to thank God for every blessing. Maybe these trials will teach us to slow down, appreciate what we have and how quickly it can be gone. LIFE IS A GIFT!

“If we could look into each other's hearts and see the challenges each of us faces, I think we would treat each other with more love, kindness, compassion and patience”; written by Marvin Ashton.

I really miss everyone and hope you continue to stay safe. I look so forward to meeting again in person. Until then; May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from the other!

All my love,
Christel, AGC