「誰能使我們與基督的愛隔絕呢?難 道是患難嗎?是困苦嗎?是逼迫嗎?是 飢餓嗎?是赤身露體嗎?是危險嗎?是 刀劍嗎? | (羅馬書 8: 35)

我們今年秋天的經文來自保羅寫給提摩太的第二封信。 這是一個相當沉重的話題,因為保羅從苦難的話題開始。 我深信牧長團這個主日會很好地宣講苦難這件事。 然而,我們常常發現,作為一個社會,我們很難忍受苦難。事實上,我們常常完全迴避苦難。即使在基督徒中,我們常常不願意受苦或與那些受苦的人同在。

另一方面,我記得有一位宣教士朋友在宣道月時在教會教主日學。 他告訴全班,他常聽到朋友們說多麼希望美國的基督徒能遭受更多的苦難與逼迫。也許,這會增強我們的信心。 他強烈地告訴我們,永遠不要希望自己、家人或社區遭受苦難。 其他國家的信徒從不以自己的苦難為榮。 所以,我不認為我們必須為自己創造或製造苦難,而只要接受並承受我們已經遭遇的苦難。

要將工作、學業、教會聚會和團契同時優先考慮,這可能很難。但我們不應輕易回避困難。照顧生病(身體或精神上)或有其他問題的弟兄姐妹可能會很困難。但我們不應輕易回避他們的困難。我們應該為把基督放在首位與分享祂的愛給身邊有需要的人的緣故而受苦。

Suffering Should Not Kill Your Love

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?" (Romans 8:35)

Our text this Fall season comes from Paul's second letter to Timothy. It is quite a heavy topic since Paul begins with the topic of suffering. I trust that the team of elders and ministers will preach well on it this Sunday. However, we often find it hard as a society to suffer well. As a matter of fact, we often avoid suffering altogether. Even among Christians, we find ourselves often reluctant to suffer or stand alongside those who are suffering.

On the other hand, I remember having a missionary friend teach the church Sunday school class during a mission month. He told the class that he often heard friends saying that they wished there would be more suffering and persecution against Christians in America. Maybe it will grow our faith. He told us strongly to not ever wish suffering on ourselves, our family, or our community. The believers in other countries never take pride in their own suffering. So, I don't think we have to *make* or *manufacture* suffering for ourselves, but simply we have to *accept* and *endure* the suffering that we already have.

Being able to prioritize both work, school, and church meetings and fellowships at the same time can be difficult. But we should not avoid the difficulty easily. Caring for our brothers and sisters who suffer with illness (physically or mentally) or other issues can be difficult. But we should not avoid their difficulties easily. We need to suffer for the sake of prioritizing Christ and sharing his love to those who are needy around us.

In Romans 8:35 Paul boldly says that neither tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, danger, nor sword can separate him from the love of Christ. But he said this while he is experiencing most of these suffering in order to love God and other people. The love of Christ is so strong for him that it enables him to suffer all of those things for the sake of Christ. Today, we believe that neither loneliness, depression, difficulty at work, school, or other modern-day hardships can separate us from the love of Christ. Have we experienced the power of the love of Christ?

辛城教會本堂

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毎週聚會時間表 Service/ Meeting Schedule

主日聚會	Sunday Service	
中、英文崇拜	Chinese/English Worship	10:45 am
成人主日學	Chinese Adult Sunday School	9:30 am
兒童主日學	Children's Sunday School	10:45 am
祷告會/查經小組	Prayer Meetings/Small Group Bible Stud	y
週一	姊妹查經小組(線上聚會)	7:30 pm
週二	姊妹查經小組(實體聚會)	9:30 am
週三(每月第一週) 美聖堂	8:00 pm
週三(每月最後一	週) 聯合禱告會(本堂與美聖堂輪流舉行)	7:30 pm
週四	福樂查經小組(實體與 Zoom 平台同步)	9:30 am
週四	查經小組(賴姬吟,線上聚會)	9:30 am
週五	成人/青少年小組查經,兒童 AWANA 在美聖堂	7:30 pm
團契聚會	Fellowship Meeting	負責人
福樂團契	每月第一週星期四早上 9:30 實體與 Zoom 同步	李翠英
安德森團契	每月第一週星期六晚上 6:00 輪流在各家舉行	傅亦冰
建武營團契	毎月第一個星期六禱告會輪流在各家攀行	張東生
加利利團契	毎月第三週星期三禱告會輪流在各家舉行	朱文璋
UC校園團契	每週五晚上 7:30 在 Peoples Church 實體聚會	朱奇
Miami 校園團契	每週五晚上6:00 實體聚會	唐慧瑩
青少年團契	Youth Fellowship 每週五晚上 7:30 在美聖堂 Simo	on Boenaidi
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主日崇拜,備有耳機英語翻譯。早上9:30 開始提供兒童、青少年聚會、以及嬰幼兒看顧。

Sunday Mandarin Worship Service has English translation by earphone. Starting at 9:30 AM, we also provide K-6th grade Children Gospel Group, Youth Worship Service (English), and Nursery.

2023 年辛城教會主題: 持定應許,做主精兵 Cincinnati Chinese Church Theme for 2023: Hold Firm to God's Promises; Be a Good Soldier of Christ

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辛城教會本堂主日崇拜 **CCC Compton Sunday Service**

11/12/2023

你們要讚美耶和華 敬拜詩歌 蘇子涵 我的神, 我的父, 我的磐石 Zihan Su Worship Hymns 因祂活著

> Praise the Lord All Ye People My God, My Father, My Rock Because He lives

信息 做基督精兵 劉家揚長老 Be a good soldier of Christ Elder Chia-Yang Liu Message 提摩太後書 2 Timothy 2:1-13

#504 萬世戰爭 回應詩歌 蘇孑涵 The Conflict of the Ages Responsive Hymn Zihan Su

萬國同工分享 黄瑜楓 影音同工 ANC Co-Worker Sharing Wendy Wong AV Team

歡迎與報告 蘇子涵 Zihan Su Welcome & Announcements

祝禱 劉家揚長老 Elder Chia-Yang Liu Benediction

金句: 我們縱然失信, 祂仍是可信的, 因為祂不能背乎自己。(提後2:13) Key Verses: If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself. (2 Timothy 2:13)

Worship Leader: Zihan Su 領會/領詩:蘇子涵 司琴: 邱雅倩 Pianist: Jessie Wu 影音同工: 宦艷 A/V Worker: Yan Huan 招待同工:朱文瑋、劉吉沅 Ushers: Wen-Wei Chu, Jiyuan Liu

翻譯: 高瑋琳 Interpreter: Stacy Kao

報告事項

十月奉獻	\$62,473.36
十月支出	\$88,353.85
十月結算	(\$25,880.49)
2023 年盈虧	\$24,789.46

- 1. 今年教會主題: 持定應許, 做主精兵。
- 截止, 還需要兩台舊筆記本電腦; 繼續歡迎 捐贈**新或稍微使用過**的3到18歲孩子的T恤 /短褲/薄長褲和玩具/球類用品等。請放在大 堂入口處的箱子裡。
- 3. Cathy Cadle 事工: 從即日起到 11/26 接受捐2 贈給需要的家庭/人。此次只要易開罐的罐頭 食品長效食品或是 Kroger 禮卡, 請放在大堂 入口處箱內。願神激勵我們關懷有需要的人。
- 4. 實體牧長會: 11/15 週三晚 7:30 在美聖堂舉 行,請為會議及牧長們禱告。
- 上開會;請為會議及與會者代禱。
- 6. 感恩節福音聚會: 11月23週四晚6點在本堂 舉行,講員:劉江華牧師;信息:以感謝為 6. Thanksgiving Service: is held on Thursday, 11/23, 祭。提供嬰兒看顧, 有兒童敬拜, 備有晚 餐。若需要交通接送,請與教會聯絡,歡迎 邀請親友同來。
- 7. 全教會禱告會暨同工會: 11/29 週三晚上 7:30 在美聖堂舉行。尋求通過議題:1) 翁于 一弟兄為本堂教育執事, 江祥立和周元鑫為 新的執事協調聯合執事會例會; 2) 設立一個 特別基金為巴拿巴事工募款買一輛 15 人座麵 包車, 目標為5萬元; 3) 為紅柳姐妹紀念基 金建立一個特別帳號, 款項用於支持泰國短 宣。請弟兄姐妹來同心的禱告。
- 8. 2023 年巴拿巴兒童事工信心奉獻: 截止到十 月共收到\$80,880 元達到8萬元的目標,感謝 神豐富的供應。願神記念弟兄姐妹的擺上。
- 9. 2024 辛城教會月曆: 每份\$3. 在大堂入口桌 上領取, 並將錢放入專屬的盒子裡。

代禱事項

- 1. 張清琳師母在 11/9 順產一男嬰取名耶底底 亞, 母子均安。願神賜福與楊洋牧師全家。
- 2. 俄亥俄州 11/7 通過墮胎法和大麻合法化; 願 神堅固我們的信心,相信我們的神仍在這彎 1. Sis. Coco gave birth to a baby boy named Jedidiah 曲悖逆的時代, 永遠坐在為王。
- 3. 為身體軟弱的肢體禱告, 求神賜下醫治、平 安和喜樂。
- 4. 為正在待產的姐妹們禱告, 求神保守她們平 安順產。

Announcements

October Offering	\$62,473.36
October Expenses	\$88,353.85
October Balance	(\$25,880.49)
Year-to-Date Balance	\$24,789.46

1. CCC Theme: Hold Firm to God's Promises. Be a Good Soldier of Christ.

2. 巴拿巴兒童事工物資捐贈: 從即日起到 11/19 2. Donation for Barnabas' Children Ministry: Starting from now to 11/19; feel free to bring two more used laptops and new or gently used clothes for 3-18 years old such as T-shirts, shorts, and thin trousers or toys, balls, sports gear, etc. and put them into the box by the church entrance.

- Cathy Cadle's Ministry: Starting from now to 11/26, only accepting canned food with pop lids and nonperishable food or Kroger gift cards for the needy families or people. Please put your donations into the box by the church entrance. May God urge us to care for those in need.
- 5. <u>大使命宣教委員會</u>: 11/19 主日晚七點透過線 4. **In-Person E/M Meeting**: Wed., 11/15, 7:30pm at Mason church. Please pray for it and the E/M board.
 - 5. GCC Meeting: Sun., 11/19, 7pm online; please pray for the meeting and attendees.
 - 6pm at Compton Church. Speaker: Pastor Brian Liu. Message: Offer Sacrifices of Thanksgiving; nursery, children's program, and dinner are provided. If you need a ride, please contact the church office. Feel free to invite family and friends to come.
 - 7. CCC Prayer and Co-Worker Meeting: Wed., 11/29, at Mason. Seek to approve topics: 1) Daniel Weng as Compton Education Deacon, Roger Chiang and Yuanxin Zhou as new deacons to coordinate regular deacon board meetings; 2) Establish a special fund, target of \$50k, to buy a new van for Barnabas' ministry; 3) Create a special account for Sister Hongliu's memorial fund to support the Thailand Short Term Mission trips. Please come and pray.
 - 8. 2023 Faith Pledge for Barnabas' Children Ministry: The donation is \$80, 880 as of October which has reached the fund-raising target of \$80k. Thank God for His rich provision. May God remember brothers and sisters' dedication.
 - 2024 Church Calendar: \$3 each; please take some from the table by the Sanctuary and put the money into the designated box.

Prayer Requests

- on 11/9. Both mom and baby are fine. May God bestow His blessings upon Pastor Bobby and family.
- 2. Ohio just passed Issueland 2 on 11/7. May God strengthen our faith that He is still enthroned as King forever over this evil and crooked world.
- 3. Pray for the weak to have God's healing/peace/joy.
- 4. Pray for the expecting sisters to have smooth labor.