

To: Mothers' Union Members around the world BY EMAIL

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Dear Mothers' Union Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Greetings to you in this season of Lent and Easter. I mention both Lent and Easter, as we cannot experience the hope in the Risen Lord without experiencing the wilderness of the bright-sad season of Lent.

Our Mothers' Union theme for Lent has been 'Living Hope' and this theme, as noted from our website, 'invites us to reflect deeply on the hope we have in Christ, even as we walk through the challenges and complexities of life'. For many of our members, we are experiencing challenging situations, whether living in war-torn countries of conflict or displaced due to these conflicts, recovering from the effects of climate change and severe weather conditions, dealing with difficult family/personal relationships, worried about the unstable political climate, and at times just living with the challenges of daily life.

We know that Jesus walked a difficult journey. It was a journey in which he followed His Father as He led him through the wilderness. We must remember that Jesus walks this journey with us. He is always beside us and waiting for us to reach out to Him. We need only to open our hands and our hearts to pray.

This journey ends in the magnificent joy of Easter. *He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!* We are a people called to live in hope, in the hope of meeting our Master and continuing to walk with Him.

As Mothers' Union members we are strong, united, and living in hope. I hear this when speaking with members around the world. The deep and abiding faith that we have is an encouragement to others. We are a witness to others in this bright-sad season of Lent, and we are witnesses when we share our joy on Easter morn. We know that He is risen and that He has made a place for us in heaven.

So let us walk this way together. Let us support one another in prayer, in worship and in service. Let us be a force to end poverty, injustice and violence. We can and are making a difference in our walk with Him and with each other.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

With my love and blessings,

Kathleen

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