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# Arise and shine for your Light has come!

My dear Brothers and Sisters  
in Christ, greetings in the  
wonderful name of Jesus!

And a wonderful and Happy New Year to  
each of you! As I write this letter of greeting

for 2015, surrounded with the clear blue skies and warm sunshine, the Lord reminds me of a clean start. There is a feeling of excitement in my heart that something wonderful is about to happen for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

It's 2015 and time to "arise and shine". I am excited as I grab hold of the words spoken by the old prophet Isaiah so long ago when he spoke of the coming Messiah in the appearance of a great light and the manifest of the presence of the glory of God among the people and nation. This prophecy continues to be fulfilled as the brightness of His light shines through His people who carry the Gospel in this hour.

**Arise, shine, for your light has come! And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness is over the people, but the Lord will arise over you and His glory will be seen over you** (*Isaiah 60:1-2*).

I truly believe this is the finest hour for the church to "arise and shine" and display the manifest glory of our Lord to a troubled, confused and sin-sick world. We as believers have the light of Jesus within us to disperse the darkness that cover the earth, and the gross darkness that is over the people and nations.

## **CWIA Prayer Breakfast Meeting**

**Saturday, January 31, 2015**

**9:00 am – Noon**

### **SPRINGFIELD EMBASSY SUITES**

8100 Loisdale Road, Springfield, Virginia 22150

Phone: 571-339-2000

Near Metro BLUE Line–Springfield

**For info/tickets, call Patti: (703) 971-3633**

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**Cost: \$20 - Full Buffet Breakfast**

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As was the case during the exodus from Egypt, darkness is on the wicked, while God's light is on His people (*Exodus 10:23*). Deep darkness describes a cloud un-folding the glory of God (*Exodus 20:21*) and serves as a warning of His impending judgment (*Jeremiah 13:16*).

It seems that the entire world has come under a great cloud of darkness. People seem to be paralyzed from fear and panic because world events are wreaking havoc upon the economy as it spins out of control. But our God reigns and is sovereign and is in full control of the economy and the world's events. Even though many of God's people have gone through painful and pruning exercises to prepare for these difficult days, we can put our trust in our God who made the heavens and the earth.

We as believers don't depend on the fallen world's system for resources or ride the rollercoaster of recession and depression. No need to worry or to wring our hands for God's great arm is not shortened, as we read in Scripture. During times of famine or judgment, God comes through with new means of provision and protection for His people and His purposes.

Be encouraged as our mighty God enables us to live as more than conquerors. A-men!!!

Our mandate for 2015 is to be a voice for the one we hear crying,  
**"Prepare the way for the coming of the Lord!"**.

Prayerfully yours in Christ,

*Stella Davis*

**Save The Date!** Our annual CWIA Charismatic Conference will be held on August 21-23, 2015. We will be celebrating our **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

You are invited to our **prayer breakfast meeting** on **Saturday, January 31, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **SPRINGFIELD EMBASSY SUITES** at 8100 Loisdale Road, Springfield, VA 22150. Springfield Embassy Suites is off of I-95 at the Fairfax Parkway exit. 9 miles from Alexandria – 14 miles from DC. Metro: Blue Line to Springfield. Embassy Suites picks up every hour, but contact the hotel directly for pickup: (571) 339-2000. Go to [www.cwiaholyspirit.org](http://www.cwiaholyspirit.org) for more details or call Patti at (703) 971-3633. The price is \$20, and includes a splendid Buffet Breakfast, and all tax & gratuities. Bring a friend. Great speakers, fellowship, good food, praise & worship. Men & women are invited. **The Lord is waiting for you!**

**Guest Speaker: Damaritza Ortiz.** Married to her high school sweetheart of 25 years, Damaritza is blessed with 3 children, one in the Seminary. 14 years ago she was ready to give up on her marriage. She attended a Life In The Spirit Seminar, which completely turned around her life and marriage as she accepted the Lord into her life. In 2012 she went on a CWIA Pilgrimage to Medjugorje. While climbing the mountain, she heard a voice say to her: "You are afflicted with breast cancer". Upon her return, a doctor confirmed that she had a cancerous mass. She braved harsh chemo treatments and surgery, but, praise be to God, she is today cancer free. She credits the Blessed Mother Mary for informing her of the sickness and healing her. Juan, her husband is in his 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Diaconate program. They both work with "Families In Christ", a Catholic Evangelization program for the Hispanic Community, and Damaritza coordinates the Spanish RCIA for her parish. Come hear how God answers prayers!

If the Lord is calling you to help and use your spiritual gifts, please let us know. We will find work for you, and we know you will be blessed by the Lord. After the January prayer breakfast meeting there will be a **short meeting** with a small lunch for all men and women that would like to offer your service for the glory of God.

**Our next prayer breakfast will be Saturday, March 28, 2015.**

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage:** July 11-19, 2015. Let us know soon if you are thinking about going. We will only take the first 20 people, first-come, first-served. Our group leader is Stella Davis, and spiritual director is our very own Father David.

**Bible Study:** Thursday mornings, Annandale area. Alelu: (703) 642-8378

**Intercessory Prayer Meetings:** Mondays, 10:30am-1:30pm. Stella: (703) 971-3633

**Prayer Chain:** Tracy Lum. See website for contact information.