

## TIME OF PRAISE

### We're Together Again

We're together again Just praising the Lord,  
We're together again In one accord;  
Something good is going to happen Something good is in store  
We're together again Just praising the Lord.

### His Name Is Wonderful

His name is wonderful, His name is wonderful,  
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.  
He is the mighty King, master of everything,  
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.

He's the Great Shepherd, The Rock of all ages,  
Almighty God is he,  
Bow down before Him, Love and adore Him,  
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord.

### Majesty

Majesty, worship his majesty  
Unto Jesus be all glory, power and praise  
Majesty, kingdom authority flows from his throne  
Unto his own his anthem raise  
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King...  
Majesty, Kingdom authority flows from his throne  
Unto his own his anthem raise.

## CHILDREN'S STORY TIME: "PERSEVERANCE"

Have any of you ever gone to the cupboard or the fridge to get some jam or peanut butter and couldn't open the jar? It's pretty frustrating, isn't it? You're hungry and the only thing separating you from a nice peanut butter and jelly sandwich is a tiny piece of metal on top of a jar. Thankfully for you guys, there's something you can do with that tightly sealed jar. If it won't open for you what do you do? You take it to mom and dad. A grown-up with bigger hands and more arm strength is like the Mighty Eagle on a tight lid. If you can't open it, mom probably can. If she can't open it, dad probably can, and if dad can't open it, well dad will probably find some other creative way to get it open. Some situations in life are like the stuck jar. You can try and try all you want but you can never get it to work out the way you want it to.

It'd be so nice to have God come flying down from the sky and save the day, but God doesn't work that way. Sometimes God has a plan in the waiting and the struggling that we can't see when we're in the middle of it. Take the story of Joseph for example. Joseph was sold into slavery and then tossed into prison. God could have crashed into that prison and sprung him out anytime, but if God had done all that, Joseph would not have been at the right place and the right time to save Egypt and his family from a famine. Then there is the story of Jesus, God gave us His only Son to be crucified on the cross for our sins. His promise to all people, that he will intercede for us all by his death and bring us to eternal life. The death of Christ on the cross is the supreme expression of the love of God and the love of Jesus himself. God had the power to save Christ from the cross, but He did not.

If God was in the business of saving us every time things went wrong, we would never learn anything ourselves. We would just sit back and wait for the quick and easy rescue, and never learn to trust in the Lord ourselves. We would never learn to soar on our own.

The next time you come across a stuck jar. take a moment to thank God for the way he teaches us to trust in Him through waiting. Ask him to give you perseverance and to prepare you to do his will then go find mom and dad to help you.

Possible questions for the children: 1. What do you think the story is about?  
2. Do you have a story on Perseverance?

The presenter may add other suitable questions. (Also, if possible, the women could provide post Covid19 treats or gifts for the children if they are able to meet in the sanctuary.)



### MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MCCA WOMEN SUNDAY JUNE 28, 2020

I take this opportunity to extend warm greetings to everyone and especially our virtual listeners, to this our annual MCCA Women Lord's Day Service. The MCCA Women moved forward into their fortieth year through many trials, testing and uncertainty, but through it all, we give thanks to God for all His blessings on us.

The onset of the Corona Virus (COVID 19) has changed our focus, our priorities, and our mode of worship. Indeed, we were in full preparation mode for our 7th quinquennial Assembly in July 2020. However, COVID 19 has taught us that everything is in God's hand, we should, therefore, exercise our faith in Him. The world is now in turmoil, many persons have died since the COVID 19 pandemic. There is a new normal, and no one knows when it will end.

As we struggle with being confined to our homes, the loss of jobs and loved ones, fear, and uncertainty for the future; let us use the opportunity to have a personal connection with God towards our spiritual growth. We realize, now more than ever that God is faithful. Let us embrace the present time and **SPEND** each day as if it were our last.

**S-** Seek God for spiritual growth

**P-** Pray persistently and Praise God in thanksgiving every day.

**E-** Exercise mind and body daily to be able to empower others.

**N-** Nurture self and others – eat healthy foods and care for the natural environment.

**D-** Dare to be different by turning negative situations into positive actions.

Do something you never thought you could do, to the Glory of God.

We pray for our brothers and sisters who have lost loved ones through COVID 19, those who are working or have loved ones working on the frontline. We remember also the families of Rev'd Glenna Spencer, MCCA Connexion Secretary and Sister Dorothy Goldsmith Immediate Past President of MCCA Women, who passed on recently. May God grant them eternal rest.

May we continue to work together knowing that the love of Christ Constrains us as a people of God, called to proclaim.

Stay safe and the blessings of God be with us all.

**Dr. Lois Grant-Hector,**  
**President. MCCA Women**

## RESPONSIVE READING: MAGNIFICAT – Luke 1:46-55

- L: <sup>46</sup> And Mary<sup>[a]</sup> said,  
“My soul magnifies the Lord,  
R: <sup>47</sup> **and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,**  
L: <sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of  
his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me  
blessed;  
R: <sup>49</sup> **for the Mighty One has done great things for  
me, and holy is his name.**  
L: <sup>50</sup> His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
R: <sup>51</sup> **He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of  
their hearts.**  
L: <sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their  
thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
R: <sup>53</sup> **he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.**  
L: <sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
ALL: <sup>55</sup> **according to the promise he made to our  
ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”**

Gloria Patri...

## POEM: **\*\*Arise, Woman of God** By M.S Lowndes

Rise up, O woman of God In what He has given you  
The things God has laid on your heart Rise up, go forth,  
and do!

Unlock what God has placed within, The potential you  
have inside  
The world is waiting for your release; To expand your  
wings and fly

Arise in your God given gift; For this is your finest hour  
Arise in the Lord's holy might; Ignited and empowered

For God is calling you to come forth. To impact this world  
for Him  
Do not hold back or limit yourself, Let His power arise  
within

And take His message to the world; To those who have  
lost their way  
For you can surely make a difference; If you would hear  
His voice and obey.

You shall be strengthened in the Lord; As you begin to  
arise  
Conquering those doubts that pull you down,  
And believe who you are in Christ

For you shall surely be transformed; As in you, God  
increases more  
And become a woman of true excellence; Bringing honor  
to her Lord.

## The Blessing:

Go in faith, share God's grace, Tell the world all He's  
done for you

Go in faith, don't you fear He is God, He will see you  
through

Go in faith Jesus lives, He's our Saviour today,  
tomorrow,  
Go in faith, go in prayer If you ask, He will carry you.

Sister rise up and go, Help the sick, preach the word,

Share in God's healing grace In a changing world

Sister rise up and bring Families to the King,

Share God's healing grace In a changing World.

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