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God is in control!

Well, after an extended eight weeks of political campaigning, Australia has voted! But, if you were hoping for a quick result, think again!

It looks like the final result of the 2016 Federal Election is still some days away. Though, one thing is very clear, we are entering a season of uncertainty within federal politics.

Following the election I have witnessed various responses from people such as joy, elation, frustration, disappointment, even anger. So, as we await the result, let me remind you of three things:

1. God is in control.

Proverbs 19:21 reminds us, *Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand.* God is always sovereign. He still rules over us. He is our 'certainty' when facing 'uncertainty'.

2. The election outcome is not a surprise to God.

Psalms 147:5 declares, *Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.* Before the polls closed, before the election was even called, God knew the outcome. Therefore, as a consequence of His foreknowledge, God is able to implement his predetermined plan and steer our nation through this next season. So trust Him.

3. Regardless of who you voted for, we are called to pray for our leaders.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 urges us, *first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.* We must pray for our leaders at this time. There is no doubt that whoever ends up forming government will need incredible wisdom and strength to navigate the new political landscape.

Richard Guy
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From the Field

Fiji Ministry in Prison, Hospital and Villages after Cyclone Winston

Fiji 2016 was a powerful time of breakthrough. Even though it was a different mission with the focus on couples participating, the exposure of the recent cyclone damage was still a sight to see. The impact of this weather event has been extreme. Many locals are still without running water, electricity and living in the bare minimum with what they call home and what we would call third world. Houses, churches and schools have literally been blown away with some dams polluted.



From day one we hit the ground running. We saw God continue to open more doors than in previous trips, as we were willing to go and do. Doing our part in feeding, giving clothes and preaching to the homeless was just the start of a fruitful campaign. The favour to preach the gospel and minister to the sick without hindrance in more restricted places like the prison and hospital were tremendous.

We were asked to minister in the Lautoka Prison twice this year. Once to those on remand and those who have been sentenced. God softened the hearts of many where we saw approx 45 young men get saved. We also were able to take the whole team into the hospital, break into groups and minister as the opportunity arose. The conditions and loneliness of those who are being cared for is very difficult to comprehend.



As we traveled daily from village to village, ministering in churches, we were so humbled to experience the lives of these beautiful Fijian people. You can see they are hurting but they are resilient and thankful for God's grace. God continued to reveal Himself through salvation, healing and the prophetic ministry. We saw many set free as God embraced those by His love and grace.



We appreciate and acknowledge the efforts of our Fijian contacts Ps.Sai and Liti of Penueli Church, Lautoka and their ministry team who assisted us on the mission. Without their support we wouldn't be in the position to fulfill the call of God to Fiji. Richest Blessings.

Yours In Christ
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From the Office - Admin

June Ministry Account Reports

A reminder to all Ministry Account Holders that your June 2016 Quarterly Report is due by **7th July 2016**. As this is the final report for the end of the financial year it is imperative that your report is submitted on time to allow us to meet our legal obligations. For those reports that are not submitted on time, your entire allocation for the June quarter will be listed as personal drawings.

If you have any questions or issues with the report submission please contact Erica at the National Office (erica@apostolic.org.au) prior to the 7th July.

Annual Reporting

Now that the 2015-16 financial year is concluded, please email a summary of your church's annual financial statement to the National Office.

The statement should show starting balance, income (general and designated) and expenses (weekly commitment, utilities, missions, youth & children, repairs & maintenance, visiting ministry, other) and closing balance.

Please forward a copy of your church's statement to admin@apostolic.org.au

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