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“For God so loved the World that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life” (Jn 3:16)



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Dear Rev Glenn Obenberger

Christ is Risen!

I am writing with regret having learnt about the death of your President, Rev Molstad. It is indeed so sad that the death of our brother and pastor John came about unexpectedly. Humanly, there is no enough words to console us! But yet, there is consolation in God's Word, as Paul writes to Timothy: *Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him; (2Tim 2:11)* and he also writes, *“Don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been raised with Him like this in His death, we will certainly also be raised with Him in His resurrection”.* (Romans 6.3–5)

I knew President Molstad during our online official interactions. He was indeed a God- fearing Christian, a confessional Lutheran and a faithful pastor. We will for sure miss him!

It is no doubt that now you have been entrusted with the responsibilities of overseeing the Synod, probably until the time a new leader is elected. The undertaking is huge which requires of you to continue the manifesto and policies that were held dear by our departed friend John. It is my prayer that you shall remain a faithful steward under God's care, and the Synod shall spiritually flourish as it may please God.

You are aware of our mutual friendship, as a young church here in Kenya, with your Synod. Your church has indeed supported us so much in matters of seminary studies, and we are looking forward to formal fellowship in the near future. It is my prayers that the Lord will grant us such privilege; and in memory of our friend John, to forge a united front towards confessional Lutheranism.

Share our condolences with your Church!

Yours Sincerely,



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