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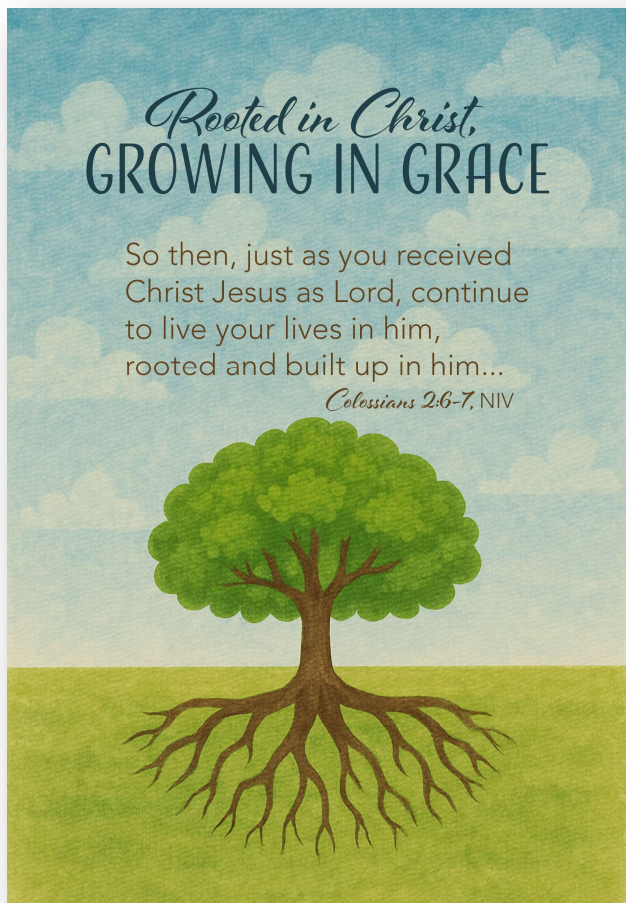
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Rooted in Christ,
GROWING IN GRACE

So then, just as you received
Christ Jesus as Lord, continue
to live your lives in him,
rooted and built up in him...

Colossians 2:6-7, NIV

**Make the Most of
Opportunities**

Those who are able are invited to stand.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 145:14-21)

Leader: The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

People: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does.

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

The Lord watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

SONG OF DEVOTION

A moment to prepare our hearts for worship.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, the author and foundation of hope, enable us to rely with confident expectation on your promises, knowing that the trials and hindrances of the present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed, and having our faces steadfastly set toward the light that shines more and more to the perfect day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

- GREETING
- SONGS OF PRAISE

O Praise the Name (Anastasis)

Speak, O Lord

MISSION TEAM COMISSIONING

CALL TO CONFESSION (Isaiah 30:15, 18)

Isaiah writes, “In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the LORD is God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!”

In this assurance, let us confess our sins in silent prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: God of love and justice, we long for peace within and peace without. We long for harmony in our families, for serenity in the midst of struggle. We long for the day when our homes will be a dwelling place for your love. Yet we confess that we are often anxious, we do not trust each other, and we harbor violence. We are not willing to take the risks and make the sacrifices that love requires.

Unison: Look upon us with kindness and grace. Rule in our homes and in all the world; show us how to walk in your paths, through the mercy of our Savior. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Colossians 2:13-15)

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us**

our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

HYMN

#428 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory

- *Doxology*
- *And Blessing (remain standing and hold hands)*

SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 4:2-18 (p. 1835)

SERMON: "Make the Most of Opportunities"
Pastor Bryan Kunz

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

SONG OF RESPONSE

My Friends May You Grow in Grace

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**



What this passage teaches me about God:

What this passage teaches me about myself:

How it applies to my life:

I have questions about:

