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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

The following is a conference update:

We have much to praise the Lord for as we end one calendar year and begin the next. We, at the conference office are engaged in preparation for the Constituency session that will take place on April 30th of this year. If you have volunteered to be a delegate, thank you for your service. Also, please make sure to read ALL of the documentation, including the conference constitution and bylaws so that we will be able to get to the business of the day and be as efficient as possible.

Camp Meeting 2023 – The two main speakers for this Camp Meeting are Dr. Dedrick Blue and Pastor Louie Torres. We will also be having Dr. Greg King with us during the week. The emphasis this year is on personal revival; before we can share Jesus with the world we have to first, have Him in our own hearts. We look forward to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit through these individuals.

Union Springs Academy – God is continuing to pour out His blessings on USA! Please keep our principal, Jeremy Garlock, in prayer as he is receiving treatment for a potentially serious health issue. By God's grace we are looking forward to him being able to fully return to the Academy very soon.

LAY PASTOR/LEADER TRAINING SABBATH - On March 4th we intend to kickoff the first meeting of the 'Christian Leadership Academy'. The CLA is going to serve as our method of training lay pastors for service in our conference. The training is not just for lay pastors as we encourage and invite all lay people interested in training for service to join us. However, we plan on further using this platform to be part of a program to create a core of lay leaders who have felt the call to serve in spiritual leadership positions as bi-vocational, or lay pastors. More information will be coming on this but please save the date. I'd love to see you there. **The location of the event will be at the conference office.**

Social Media Ministry - Do you or someone in your church have a gift or passion to create spiritual based content to share online? We are looking to train 200 'digital missionaries' who have a desire to be a part of the spreading of the gospel through social media. In the coming months we will share more on this. In a nutshell, we want to help those who are feeling called to this ministry through training and funding to be able to make this a reality.

Evangelism in the end times– As we draw ever near the second coming of our Lord, I believe that we need to focus on the issues that we know are going to be part of the tests in the end. Our evangelistic thrusts should include more on the importance of the Sabbath. They should also include more on the subject of the Spirit of Prophecy. Why? Because the final test will be on the Sabbath, and God gave us the Spirit of Prophecy as a guide to help us navigate these turbulent waters that are soon to come. I plan to share more about these subjects in the months to come.

If you have any questions on any of the items in this update you may contact us at the conference office. Please keep us in prayer as we work together to promote the sharing of the Three Angels Message with our communities in Upstate New York. Jesus is coming soon!

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