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Half Past 2021!



When we were approaching 2021, many were optimistic about the future. Some even predicted that things would return to normal! Now that half of the year is almost over, people are thinking that 2021 may be even worse than 2020.

As Christians, whatever the world throws at us, we stand on our faith and are assured of the same love, protection and direction, pandemic or not.

How About HoF?

After a year and half of the pandemic, the Lord has taken good care of the Household of Faith.

We were able to live stream without interruption and even created a mobile-friendly website to link to these video sermons.

Recently, we were able to conduct in-person worship at the Launchpad and managed to encourage most members to return to worship.

What's Ahead?

Right round the corner is our 4th Anniversary on 16th July. It is unlikely that restrictions will be relaxed enough for any celebration, but it will be a good time for the Household of Faith to rebuild and renew and for all of us to rededicate.

One of the things that we have seriously looked at is to register the church. I have visited with our lawyer, brother Dennis Loh who is willing to help us on this quest, pro bono. In order to do this, members have to be willing to step forward

to serve in the committee. Our numbers are small, especially when we can only use male members who are regular every Sunday.

Please let me know your thoughts and willingness to serve as committee members. Brother Dennis told me that the process may take up to 6 months, but we just need a 3-5 men to serve. As our contributions is less than a million dollars, the procedure is quite simple.

Immediate Need

Our first challenge is to find a meeting place for us to come together by September. The Lord has shown us Launchpad, we are looking at hotels owned by Far East Organisation, a Christian company and other options.

Just as the Lord has provided our every need, we are also relying on Him in this matter. He will take better care of us, much more than any scheme that we can come up with.

I leave you with the promise of God in Ephesians 3:20-21 *Now to him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to him be the glory in the assembly and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.*



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Introduction

Last Sunday shared a sermon based on the old familiar hymn, Amazing Grace

Understanding the intent – makes it more meaningful when you sing it

Emphasize Bible facts and imagery from which the writer penned the lyrics





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Most of the hymns we sing are imported from western traditions and lore e.g. Amazing Grace

Still, Biblically sound and meaningful

At the turn of century, a new wave of contemporary choruses entered Christian worship

Short repetitive catchy lyrics suited to acappella singing

Personal view that contemporary hymns more true to our faith e.g. black spirituals



Faithful Love

Introduction

Faithful love flowing down
from the thorn-covered crown,
Makes me whole, saves my soul,
Washes whiter than snow.

Faithful love calms each fear,
reaches down, dries each tear;
Holds my hand when I can't
stand on my own.

Faithful love from above
Came to earth to show the Father's love.
And I'll never be the same
For I've seen faithful love face to face,
And Jesus is His name



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About the Song



Written by Ken Young, author of over 100 contemporary Christian choruses

Leaving full-time ministry for music business

Moving from Irving, Texas to Midland, Texas in 1993



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First Verse

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Revelation 1:5 *and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us, and washed us from our sins by his blood*





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Second Verse

Faithful love calms each fear,
reaches down, dries each tear,
Holds my hand when I can't
stand on my own.

Matthew 11:28-30 *"Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart; and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."*





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Chorus

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 And I'll never be the same
 For I've seen faithful love face to face,
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John 1:1,14 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... The Word became flesh, and lived among us. We saw his glory, such glory as of the one and only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.*





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Third Verse

Faithful love is a friend
 just when hope seems to end,
 Welcome face, sweet embrace,
 Tender touch filled with grace.

Proverbs 18:24 *A man of many companions may be ruined, But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.*





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Conclusion: Final Verse

Faithful love, endless power,
 living flame, Spirit's fire;
 Burning bright in the night,
 guiding my way.

Proverbs 27:6 *Faithful are the wounds of a friend; Although the kisses of an enemy are profuse.*

2 Timothy 2:12-13 *If we endure, We will also reign with him. If we deny him, He also will deny us. If we are faithless, He remains faithful. He can't deny himself.*

2 Timothy 4:7-8 *I have fought the good fight. I have finished the course. I have kept the faith. From now on, there is stored up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day; and not to me only, but also to all those who have loved his appearing.*
