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**To: ALL NATIONAL OFFICERS
ALL REGIONAL SUPERVISORS
ALL STATES SUPERVISORS
ALL SHEPHERDS
ALL PARISHIONERS**

Dear brethren in the Lord,

RE: END OF YEAR MESSAGE

Another very eventful year has rolled off leaving with the world a mixed and diverse memories: with some people, memories of peace, joy, and blessing and with others - those of pains, sadness and misfortune. The hurricane of political change in the Middle East -Arab world, and the tsunami , earthquake and flooding in Japan, New Zealand, Australia and Chile have made the out-going year, by far, the most eventful within the past decade. Munich Re, the multinational giant that insures Insurance Companies placed the cost of the economic loss across the globe within the first six months of 2011 at \$265 billion making it 5 times higher than the past ten years average and double 2010 total of \$130.00 billion.

The year 2011 was welcome with an economic loss of \$7.3billion arising from Australia flooding in January, followed by New Zealand earthquake of February which also inflicted a major economic/property loss of \$20 billion. The entire world was thrown into a state of bewilderment and grief in March by the combined blast of earthquake and tsunami on Japan which resulted in the loss of 22,800 lives and properties costing \$210 billion. Back home in United States of America, 98 events, mostly twister and other severe storms, flooding and fire ravaged the country and left a trail of losses in over 600 lives and \$27billion in properties, more than 10 year average of \$11.8billion. Chile, the East Orient, Italy and a number of other countries were not spared of the punches of disaster. The diocese gave over \$12,000.00 last year and about \$2,000.00 in the current year towards the effort of America Red Cross. Economic and financial pains, abuses, rapes, robberies, homicides, and violence of frightening nature and dimension have also continued to assume unprecedented crescendo throughout the world. Indeed, 2010 and 2011 have remained the loudest trumpets of God through Nature, warning the world that this is the end time of the Church Age. Rapture is at the door, be watchful and be prepared!!!

Amidst these global, dreadful and destructive catastrophes, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ has remained consistently faithful to his word in Rev. 3:10: "Because you have kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth". We therefore give all thanks, adoration, praises, and exaltation to Him who has made it possible for us all to be alive, in good health, peace, love, and hope of eternity in His Kingdom of glory. To Him be the glory, honor, power, majesty, and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

And to the entire body of Christ, may the enduring grace, perfect peace, joy and love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ continue to abide with us all as we march in His power and glory into the new year.

During this outgoing year 2011, a very successful National Convention of the diocese was held in a 5-Star hotel at Houston, Texas, where fourteen major Policy Papers were examined and approved by the collective wisdom of the conference: a step designed to re-structure the diocese, create efficient and dynamic hierarchy, set effective span of control, allocate and define roles, and provide clear description for all jobs and governing authorities. The collation of these papers for the update of our Bye-Laws are expected to be completed within the first quarter of 2012. The year further witnessed the dedication of three new houses of Worship, major advancement in the construction of another three, and acquisition of yet another two properties/Land for development in the new year. While we are yet to receive relevant statistics on new births, it is a matter of sadness to report five deaths across the diocese. May the mercy of the Lord grant the Souls peaceful rest in the bosom of Abraham. We are thankful to the Lord for the new members joining, but these are regrettably out-numbered by those leaving the church, a situation that is challenging our attitudes and behavior in the houses of God. Our harvest season which started on June 5 and ended on December 4, was certified as a very successful celebration of divine love, unity, peace, and joy among members and glorious sacrifice unto the great Lord for His awesome goodness, love, mercy and faithfulness. Furthermore, the weekly Celestial Prayer Connection is now receiving incredibly wider audience from the entire USA, UK and Nigeria with testimonies of God's moving hand of miracles. On the balance of probabilities and judgment, year 2011 is a more peaceful, stable and successful year with a number of parishes also returning back to Source.

At Christmas, we had the perfect gift of God, the Father Almighty – the gift of a Savior for the redemption of mankind from eternal condemnation and doom of everlasting hell fire. Christmas is, therefore, the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the giver of life, the author of Salvation, the only source of enduring joy, and peace. Christmas, is a celebration of the birth of Peace, birth of divine love and birth of the joy of eternal Salvation. It is the celebration of the awesome love of God the Father who gave His only Son for our redemption.

As usual we are taking advantage of this wonderful Season to express our most profound thanks and appreciation for the wonderful support, understanding and genuine cooperation that have been extended by all parishioners, officers, and shepherds to both the states, regional, diocesan, and pastoral administrations of this great church during the outgoing year 2011. We are sincerely appreciative of your spiritual, financial, and moral support to the states, regional, and diocesan administrations, but more importantly, to your unflinching faith in Celestial Church of Christ as the end-time Vessel of Salvation. May the good God of reciprocity keep you and give you peace, bless you and prosper your works, and may He grant you the joy of eternal salvation. We are, profoundly touched.

Perhaps we should remind you once again that at Christmas you are required by the Scripture to appear before the Lord with your thanks-offering in appreciation of His awesome grace, love and mercy unto your household. None should appear before Him empty handed He warns. Also remember as a true heir to the Kingdom of God to provide friendly gifts that are truly reflective of divine love, peace and hope to someone in your family, among your relatives, in your neighborhood and in your church. Let the less fortunate, the handicapped, the orphans, widows and the laborers in the Vineyard know that you care, and so store up treasures for yourselves in heaven.

More importantly, however, kindly pause and reflect on your past and make a sincere atonement to those that you have offended, forgive and forget the sins of those who have offended you, repent and renew your vow unto the Lord that you will henceforth be a source of peace and joy to your neighbors, a fountain of peace and progress to the church and a yielding vessel for the promotion of God's Kingdom. This is the most rewarding resolution for the new year. Remember that obedience is the key to the heart of God. Do His will and keep His commandments so that your security and blessing may be established from above. As we celebrate the gifts of joy during this season let us also remember to pray for quick restitution for all those who have been devastated in one way or the other during the outgoing year. May the in-coming year 2012 be a year of full restoration of joy to them all.

On behalf of the Pastor and Spiritual Head of the Church, Pastor Emmanuel M Oshoffa, the Board of Trustees, the Pastor –in-Council and the Diocese of USA, the Council wishes all members a merry Christmas and a joyous 2012. And unto Him who has made it possible for us to see the year end be the glory, honor, power and dominion forever.
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, CCC, DIOCESE OF USA. DEC. 12, 2012.