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Dear Brother and Servant of Christ Jesus our Lord and Savior,

I am writing now to make you aware of a wonderful opportunity! To glorify our King and Lord while sewing together peace and life drawing all men unto His Glorious kingdom. We men are not all in agreement in all things. Our dogma and traditions may be diverse, but our Savior is Jesus. I believe we can do much more together than one can alone. Differences may exist, but what we have in common is so much more important! So big and wonderful. Greater and more glorious than ourselves! If you, like me, are certain that Jesus was born of the virgin Mary, (Immaculate conception). That Jesus lived a sinless life, suffered, and was crucified, and died on a cross for the sins of the world. If you believe that three days after he died, rose from the grave victoriously over both sin and death, and we hold fast His promised return, then you and I may fellowship and work gloriously together honoring Our Lord and savior and His Great Commission!

I have decided after much prayer and discussion that we must form a ministry alliance built on shared values and shared goals for his glory. Would it not be so wonderful if His called servants were more concerned to build His kingdom above all kingdoms? To fellowship and serve together in peace and love, as I believe is His perfect will. An Alliance where we focus on the things that bind us together in common cause. I am certain it is possible, even vital and of urgency, that we my brothers rise together in one accord, faithfully doing great and glorious works of wonder through Christ Jesus according to His purpose and His will. What does this look like? Well, it looks something like it did for the first disciples of Jesus. They came from diverse backgrounds with different biases as well as various stations of life. Fishers, a tax collector, and ordinary men all in need of a savior, the redeemer even as such were you and me. They were not always in agreement on all things. However, they all agreed on the essentials that I mentioned above concerning Christ.

I remember a day not so long ago when men of God worked together in an alliance of ministry. Serving Jesus in their city and community that they all shared. Setting aside differences holding only in agreement to the essentials of our faith. Shedding light on darkness and proclaiming truth to all. Combining their gifts and talents for the betterment of the people. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life and no one comes to the Father but through Him. Is this not true for all? Of course, it is! It is only obvious to anyone who is honest that our world is upside down. Sin has permeated the current culture leaving no room for God or His word. Many are lost. Many are hurting. Our children are under attack and their souls lay in the balance. We are profoundly experiencing the writings of Paul in Romans Chapter One. The enemy appears to be winning. You and I know that our Lord is victorious in the end, but why can't He be victorious even now? The answer is that He always is victorious. It is us however that are defeated by flesh. What we sow in the flesh only reaps in the flesh, but what we sow in spirit reaps in the spirit.

Sometimes as faith leaders, we become overwhelmed by the battles waged against us, and we feel as if we stand alone. I too have been there. My beloved friend in Jesus, you are not alone! No one is an island. You are not forsaken for want. You are not meant to carry the full weight and measure of this world's burden alone. The enemy of your soul wants to isolate and destroy you. Christ' burden is light and because it is, He spreads it amongst His faithful. We are to care for and fellowship each for his brother to the end of the age. Let us pull together unified in spirit and truth. We must unify in a non-denominational fashion where we can focus together on our central mission to restore the Christian ethic in our community. There is nothing new under the sun and we share the same 1st century church mission of the apostles to spread the gospel and be the church we are called to be and act. Our only sincere hope is in Jesus and standing together baptized in Christ. We believe in and respect the autonomy of the local churches just as the first century church was allied together and decentralized.



Our alliance is essential to withstanding the storm upon us in this fight for Good over Evil. We must cease to be neutral in the culture war and engage the enemies of the good directly that we may overcome as we are called.

Now as for my proposal. My heart and passion are in bringing us together for the good of our communities. As it was for Moses as the Israelites battled the Amalekites. (Exodus 17:11-13) When he grew tired and could no longer hold up his arms for their victory, Arron and Hur rested him on a rock and held up his arms for him. This is the vision! This is what it can again be for each of us. I have the pleasure of the appointment as the Ministerial Alliance Liaison at Blessings of Liberty. Originated and formed here in Tulare County, God has blessed many and will continue to do so as long as we remain focused and faithful to His call. Through such an alliance we have seen prayer put back in our county's Supervisor Meeting! Others are beginning new and promising ministries. I have been charged with the task of bringing fellow ministers, pastors, preachers and lay ministers together. To organize monthly meetings for fellowship, prayer, and encouragement. To improve our local communities through outreach and involvement through a ministry of alliance. This means we come together to do greater things than what we could do alone. If you feel as I do that the future holds an even greater need for God's people banding together in active ministry to each other and our community, then please take the first step and pray. Ask your Father, what is His will for you considering my words. Then, after HE confirms what I have written to you, contact me and we will begin to fellowship in truth and spirit. We will serve together with profound effect and power multiplied. All to His Glory and Honor and Praise!

You can contact me at <u>www.ourblessingofliberty.org</u> or just call James McMurtry at 1-559-769-5958. I truly look forward to meeting you and sharing our kindred spirit in fellowship and service. May our father Bless you and keep you always.

Sincerely in Christ and love

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