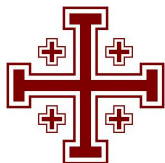


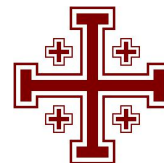
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***“Put your trust in The Light ...  
that you may become sons and daughters of Light***



**NEW YEAR 2023**

Dear Family and Friends of Eastview,

As the dawn of the new year breaks we share this encouragement with you.

If you ask folk the question “What has the new year in store for you?”, they will probably say “God alone knows!” But, here is the Lord’s word to us:-

*Hebrews 4:13 “Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.”*

Yes, nothing is hidden from God’s sight! Instead of shrugging our shoulders and believing that our lives are ruled by fate and chance we are called to place every day and our whole being under the rule of His grace and purposes for our lives.

And so our prayer must be:-

*Grant O Lord that I may turn  
from the emptiness of fate and chance  
to the certainty of your love and grace.  
Day by day  
Step by step  
Breath by breath  
Amen.*

Bring your spirituality into every corner of your home and into every encounter with friend and stranger.

As a worshipping family at Eastview we also pray that we will be a faithful congregation and make a contribution this year to the values of His Kingdom. Economists are calling for growth, but as a Church we should call for more grace, more love, more faithfulness. That is Kingdom growth!

Shalom to you and everyone in your circle of love.  
Paul and Lesley

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