

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Ah yes, time to pull out that old but familiar saying, which goes something like this: “April Showers bring May Flowers”!

Well what are you going to say? There were no “April Showers” unless you include all those pretty little white things drifting down from out of the sky!

Well what are you going to say? We may have some “May Flowers” but they won’t likely be at the beginning of the month of MAY!

Indeed, this may be one of those years when we transition out of WINTER one day and the next day enter into SUMMER without any kind of SPRING to FALL back on!

Yes, we are definitely looking at a little different kind of SPRING this year! As a matter of fact, “ICE OUT” just might impact the beginning of the walleye fishing season here in 2013!

Imagine, “ICE OUT” causing a DELAY in the walleye fishing season here in Ely, Minnesota in 2013! Wow!

Well, there is no need to IMAGINE for there is not any DELAY expected when it comes to each day beginning ANEW!

Well, there is no need to IMAGINE for there is not any DELAY expected when it comes to the challenges of living out our daily LIVES!

Well, there is no need to IMAGINE there is not any DELAY expected when it comes to the “amazing grace” of God’s precious LOVE!!! Indeed, there is no need to IMAGINE there is not any DELAY to be found in God’s LOVE for us, come winter, spring, summer, fall, or any time in between!!!

Yes indeed, when it comes to the wonder of the “amazing grace” of God’s LOVE for us, not only is there no DELAY expected but there is no DELAY to be found!!! Wow!!!

Truly, we ought to pause with thoughtful, thankful, and grateful hearts, when we think about this precious blessing in our lives, the blessing of God’s ever present LOVE for us!!!

Truly, we ought to pause with thoughtful, thankful, and grateful hearts, when we pause to consider that God’s LOVE for us, is not anything like the fickleness of the seasons of the year, winter, spring, summer, or fall!!!

Truly, we ought to pause with thoughtful, thankful, and grateful hearts, when we pause to consider God’s LOVE for us, revealed in the gift of baby JESUS from birth, to life, to death on a cross, to resurrection!!!

Truly, we ought to pause with thoughtful, thankful, and grateful hearts, when we pause to consider God’s LOVE for us, revealed in the gift of the HOLY SPIRIT!!!

Truly, we ought to pause with thoughtful, thankful, and grateful hearts, when we pause to consider God’s LOVE for us, as revealed in the gift of the CHURCH and our CHURCH FAMILY!!!

Love in Christ,

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