

## TRANSITION TIME

Dear Prayer@ Parliament Supporters

I signaled in my December letter to you that we will be making a very important announcement in early February 2021 so here it is:

### **TRANSITION**

The Lord led me to commence Prayer @ Parliament over 21 years ago. Over the past three years I have been seeking the Lord as to when I should pass on the baton of leadership to a successor. Preparing the way for a successor is of course very biblical. Moses was succeeded by Joshua, Elijah was succeeded by Elisha. In the New Testament, Paul instructs Timothy "The things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses, entrust to reliable people who will be qualified to teach others. The succession was from Paul to Timothy then to others (2 Tim 2:2)."

I believe that after 21 years, the time is now ripe for me to pass the baton to my successor who will be Pastor Hamish Thomson. Pastor Hamish became my successor, 9 years ago in the church that Lalita and I founded (Abundant Life Centre). He has been involved in Prayer @ Parliament for about 12 years, through attendance, being part of the organizing personnel as well as regular participant from the platform. Many of you (like myself) have been inspired by his opening prayers which were substantive, informative and inspiring! He has also been Chairman of Capital Prayer Breakfast. He has a Master's Degree in Theology; he has over many years of ministry experience.

We will make the Transition at our first Prayer @ Parliament Gathering on 18 March 2021 in the Grand Hall.

I will continue to be Prayer @ Parliament Convener until the end of March Gathering. Ps Hamish is now Convener Designate. He will be inducted as Convener in the March Gathering.

### **PASTOR RASIK'S ROLE**

I will continue as

- **Advisor** to Prayer @ Parliament
- **Promoter** of Prayer @ Parliament
- **National Director** of AMPP (The project where every MP is being prayed for during the whole term of parliament)
- **Participate** in the **Christian MPS Wednesday Prayer Breakfast**
- Generally helping to **educate** Christians to engage in the Public Square.
- I will continue to attend Prayer @ Parliament

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who over the years has been involved in the organization, promotion and attendance in the Prayer @ Parliament. I wish to especially thank my wife for her part in the organizing and prayer; she will be relinquishing her current prayer @ parliament responsibilities; a very special thanks to David Burchett whom God brought across my pathway 10 years ago! We have worked very harmoniously over the last decade. Without his help given so generously and sacrificially we could not have done this work. I want also to thank Pastor Hamish for his contribution. Dinna O'Meara and the Worship Team and many others too numerous to acknowledge each one by name. I know you have done it as unto the Lord.

I want to thank all the Christian MPs who have participated in the Gatherings. Many of you have become my dear friends. Finally, I want to thank you for your love and support. I have come to appreciate the Body of Christ in a much deeper way through the collaboration of so many from so many different churches.

Please continue to support and promote Prayer @ Parliament. Let us continue to pray together for the welfare of our Nation, one of the best Nations on earth!

**REGISTRATION**

Registration will be open for First Prayer @ Parliament Gathering about Thursday 18 February 2021 (one month before the event).

**PRAYER TRACKS**

There will be two Prayer Tracks on the 53rd Parliament. The third track will be on the transition when we will be praying for Pastor Hamish.

In the unbreakable bonds of Christ

***Rasik Ranchord***

***Prayer@ Parliament Convener***