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GE15

Less than 8 days remain for the people of Malaysia to vote for and elect, their leaders to populate Parliament, some State Assemblies and the new Cabinet. The CCM has been praying for and encouraging, every citizen to go out and perform their patriotic duty for the nation. So please go out early on the 19th November and vote, even if you have not ever voted before in your life. Just do it, don't make excuses and don't think your one vote does not matter, or others will be voting and you don't have to. Just go out on Saturday 19th November and vote.

We are believers. St. Paul's teaching¹ is that the Lord appoints the governing authorities of the nation. Each one of us are an instrument of the Lord in His mission to appoint the legislature and executive of Malaysia. The Lord does not appoint despotic, corrupt and irresponsible governing authorities. It is therefore our bounden and fearful duty to vote for justice, competency, integrity and equality – values and qualities espoused and defended by faithful believers and martyrs throughout the ages. Let us therefore seek the face of the Lord as we go out to vote and be led and convicted by the Holy Spirit in the vote(s) we cast to choose the Parliamentarian and, as the case may be, the State Assemblyperson for our individual constituencies.

Let us pray for the 15th General Election – that the Lord will guide and bless each person who votes, who is an electoral candidate, who administers the electoral process, who transports the cast votes to the counting centers and the officials who count and declare the results for each constituency at the elections. Perfect love casts out all fear – let our prayer be that the administrators and other logistics and security staff managing the electoral process adhere intelligently to the given standard operating procedures without fear or favour. Let us pray that all evil, manipulation and false dealing will be eliminated altogether and the Lord

¹ Romans 13:1 Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.

will envelop this nation, which He loves so much, with His grace, mercy and favour, so that we are empowered to stay the course as Malaysian people, Keluarga Malaysia, tread the straight and narrow path and live the abundant life that the Lord came to give us.

The Malaysian people are going to vote at that time of the year where the country is subject to the North East monsoons. Last year, we felt the full onslaught of the floods in the West Coast when ordinarily it has been the East Coast which has been affected by the North East Monsoons. We hear, and have seen on TV, devastating floods in Pakistan, China, Australia and in places which have hitherto never experienced such natural calamities. The world's climate is fast changing and becoming unpredictable.

At the time of writing this message on GE15, we are already experiencing floods in some parts of Johor, Kuala Lumpur, Shah Alam, Klang and in Kedah. Heavy and continuous rains are predicted for Johor and Pahang in a few days by MetMalaysia today. Believers have to get together or individually to seek the Lord's face to prevent damage and loss of lives and property throughout the nation and for GE15 to be not disrupted by the floods. When His people humble themselves and seek His face, the Lord will answer our prayers for Malaysia and Keluarga Malaysia.

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