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Dear Fellow-laborers,

Before I report on the Feast, I want to take the time to thank every single one of you for your continued prayers on my behalf. God has been merciful and I am making steady progress every day. Please continue praying that God will give me clear eyesight and that my right arm will return to normal particularly my finger dexterity – so that I can type again.

The Feast of Tabernacles in Chiang Mai was a great success. We had 17 visiting from the USA; 9 from Australia; 11 from Burma and Thailand; 3 from Malaysia; 1 from China and 27 Legacy teachers and students. That's a total of 58 adults and 10 children. Thailand has a small Feast site which affords feast goers many chances to spend time with and get to know Legacy teachers, students and other Church members from local SE Asian countries.

I had to spend the entire FOT in a hospital in Bangkok because of my strokes, but due to the wonders of modern technology, Gloria and I were able to receive the audio and video of services in Chiang Mai everyday over the internet. I was even able to give a sermon on the weekly Sabbath between the holy days which was telecast live to feast goers in Chiang Mai. I am writing this letter to you using my notes from that sermon because I believe the message is important and urgent.

Have you been watching the news lately? While most of the world has been following the American presidential race, events have been occurring behind the scenes at an alarming rate that show we are closer to the End of the Age than some might think. Prophecy is marching swiftly onward, and if we are not watching, we will be caught off guard by End-Time events – the very same events long ago prophesied by Lord Jesus, Daniel, John and others. Our Bible is filled with warnings about what is to come. God does not leave us in the dark about future events – if we have eyes that see and ears that hear.

The period of future history surrounding the Advent of Christ the Bible calls **The Day of the Lord**. This is the time when God intervenes in the affairs of men. If He didn't, we would all die.

*“And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved;”<sup>1</sup>*

The prophets describe a time of great destruction and torment soon to descend upon the world scene.

*“Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains:”<sup>2</sup>*

*“Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.”<sup>3</sup>*

Many Christians picture the day of Jesus’ return something like this: *When God sends Jesus to this earth once again – we are all going to be “dressed in white”, “holding our Bibles”, “standing on the roof tops, singing hymns”.* It seems hard to believe that the whole world would not be ready to welcome Him with open arms.

BUT, The Truth is that Jesus is bringing with Him God’s wrath, destruction and judgment upon the wicked.

*“And out of his mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.”<sup>4</sup>*

Far from welcoming Him, the armies of this world will gather to **FIGHT HIM!**

*“And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. Behold, I come as a*

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<sup>1</sup> Matthew 24:22 NKJV

<sup>2</sup> Joel 2:1-2 KJV

<sup>3</sup> Isa 13:6 KJV

<sup>4</sup> Rev 19:15-16 KJV

*thief. Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.”<sup>5</sup>*

But just before Jesus comes back, a world-ruling system will come about to enslave the peoples of this world and persecute the Saints. This system is nothing less than Satan’s final counterfeit of the real Kingdom of God and this system’s leader – a false Savior. This system is called “The Beast” in the Book of Revelation, written by the last Apostle to die during the 1<sup>st</sup> Century Church Era – John Boanerges.<sup>6</sup>

The apostle John was allowed to see the future events surrounding the Day of the Lord from the vantage point of the Throne of God. He wrote down what he saw in this vision.

*“I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day<sup>7</sup>, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book,”<sup>8</sup>*

John’s writings in the book of Revelation fill in many details about the Day of the Lord that we do not find in other prophecies.

I want to point out several very interesting passages in Revelation and let you draw your own conclusions about their relevance in the light of world events happening right now as I write this letter.

This end-time system and its leader will be empowered by Satan himself:

*“The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.”<sup>9</sup>*

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<sup>5</sup> Rev 16:13-16 KJV

<sup>6</sup> Mark 3:17

<sup>7</sup> This is not talking about the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week known as Sunday! This is rather talking about the prophetic “Day of The Lord”.

<sup>8</sup> Rev 1:9-11 KJV

<sup>9</sup> Rev. 13:2-3 NKJV

This final counterfeit world system will control world trade and world finances:

*“He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”*<sup>10</sup>

This means that if you do not become part of this system you will be left out in the cold.

All the world will fall under the sway of this false system and its leader:

*“And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation.”*<sup>11</sup>

Many in the world will believe that this system and its leader is the answer to all the world’s problems:

*“And all the world marveled and followed the beast.”*<sup>12</sup>

But they will be deceived and become enslaved to this false system. You too will be deceived unless you stay faithful to God and believe the words of His prophets.

*“...if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'Look, He is there!' do not believe it. For false christs and false prophets will rise and show signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, **even the elect**. But take heed; see, I have told you all things beforehand.”*<sup>13</sup>

Yes, **take heed!!** And watch what is taking place – almost unnoticed – in the world’s financial arena. The governments of the United States, Britain, and Europe are bailing out their financial institutions. But how are they doing it? In many cases, these governments are buying controlling interest in their countries’ banks!

Many of these government leaders are now talking about creating a **“new world banking order”**!!

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<sup>10</sup> Rev 13:16-17 NKJV

<sup>11</sup> Rev. 13:7-8 NKJV

<sup>12</sup> Rev. 13:3-4 NKJV

<sup>13</sup> Mark 13:21-23 NKJV

World leaders are ready to make changes to the way the world's financial system operates. On October 16, European leaders from 27 countries met in Brussels to discuss a new economic world order:

**“Europe's leaders want to see a new global financial system emerge”<sup>14</sup>**

I came across a very significant article in a recent copy of one of Bangkok's English language newspapers entitled "CHINA EMERGING AS NEW POWER"<sup>15</sup>. Here are some quotes from that article:

*“Are the days of the dollar as a currency reserve numbered?”*

*“With US financial institutions seeking bail-outs with the federal government's money, New York is losing its shine as the world's financial centre. And along with the precipitate fall of New York, the US dollar is also losing its status as the de-facto international reserve currency.*

*“Last Tuesday, three days after the Asia-Europe Summit (Asem) in Beijing, Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao headed to Russia on an official visit, where he shared strong misgivings about the US with Russian leaders.*

*“Wen raised two important points: developing countries should have a stronger say in a new financial system; and the global currency system should be diversified, a tactical way of saying the dollar's role as anchor of the world's reserve-currency system would have to diminish.”<sup>16</sup>*

America's days as the world's financial center are clearly numbered as the U.S. dollar loses international support. And yet America is leading the world toward some sort of global financial entity that will control all financial institutions in the world and probably create a single world currency.

*“Bush, French President Nicolas Sarkozy and European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso, who met at the Camp David, Md., presidential retreat last week, announced the series of summits, saying the international community needs to work together to address the credit crisis that has shaken markets around the globe.”<sup>17</sup>*

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<sup>14</sup> “Seeking an end to the madness”, Economist.com

<sup>15</sup> The Nation. November 4, 2008, page 12A.

<sup>16</sup> IBID

<sup>17</sup> Cbs5.com, Oct.22,2008 Bush, “World Leaders To Discuss Financial Crisis”

This proposed global summit which took place on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> (the day I gave my Feast Sermon) has been described as the starting point for a new “Bretton Woods” where the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund were created.

Will we soon see a new world financial order and in all probability a single world currency suddenly come on the scene with the blessings of the U.S. president and the leaders of the western world.

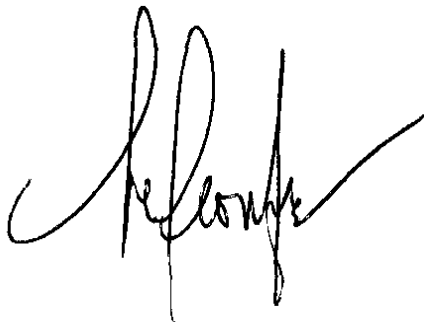
What I hear happening in world news sounds all too much like the words that John wrote in the Book of Revelation.

I believe the prophesied Day of the Lord is fast approaching – perhaps even upon us. Are we ready?

*“But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. **But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.** Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. **Therefore let us not sleep, as do others;** but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep, sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.”<sup>18</sup>*

Awaiting His return with you.

Your fellow-servant,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Leon Sexton', written in a cursive style.

T. Leon Sexton

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<sup>18</sup> 1 Thess 5:1-8 KJV