



In Times of Sorrow and Hope

Dear TC Family,

There are seasons when joy and sorrow seem to walk side by side. This past week, our Turlock Christian Schools family has felt that deeply. We continue to grieve the heartbreaking loss of one of our students, while also lifting in prayer a beloved teacher facing serious and still undetermined health concerns. These are the burdens we know of, and surely there are many more quietly carried in the hearts of our families.

In moments like these, I am reminded of the beloved hymn **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**. Its words echo the steady character of God in every generation:

***Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.***

Those words could well have been sung over the story of the Book of Nehemiah. Nehemiah and the Israelites faced uncertainty, opposition, grief over what had been lost, and the immense challenge of rebuilding what was broken. Yet through every obstacle, God remained faithful. Morning by morning, He provided wisdom, courage, protection, and hope.

The same God who sustained them sustains us now.

As a school community, we are called to do what faithful people have always done in difficult times: pray, support one another, and remain steadfast in love. We pray for those who mourn. We pray for healing. We pray for wisdom in decisions ahead. We pray for the students in our care that they would feel safe, known, and deeply loved.

Community matters most in seasons like this. No family should walk through hardship alone. No student should feel unseen. No burden should be carried in isolation. One of the great gifts of Christian education is that we belong to one another, and together we belong to Christ.

If your family is hurting, please know you are not alone. If you know someone who is struggling, reach out. A prayer, a kind word, a meal, a note, or simply showing up can become the hands and feet of Jesus in someone's life.

God's faithfulness has carried Turlock Christian Schools through many seasons before, and He will carry us still.

Morning by morning, new mercies we see.

In faith, family, and future,

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