

## Daily Devotion For March 1, 2023

<sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.”  
I Thessalonians 4:13-14

It is just over a week since Dr. Cary Gota went to be with Jesus in the kingdom of heaven. I know that these are difficult days for Joyce and the Gota family. For those of us who have placed our faith, hope, and trust in Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord, we know that we will see our loved ones again one day.

Paul wrote to the church at Thessalonica that we do not grieve as those who have no hope. We can have hope because Jesus died and rose again and he offers eternal life to all those who place their faith and trust in Christ. The hope of our Christian faith is that our loved ones are in a perfect place that God has prepared just for us, a place where there is no sorrow, suffering or pain.

**Thought For Today:** Although we knew that this day was coming for Dr. Cary and will be true for each one of us one day. We do not know the day, date, or hour when we will die but we can know where we will spend eternity. Are you prepared to meet the Lord? Have you trusted in Jesus? If not, why not invite Christ into your life right now. If you have trusted in Christ, thank God for your eternal salvation.

**Today's Prayer Focus:** Thank God for the Christian hope of eternal life in His Kingdom. Continued prayers for Joyce Gota and her family and for all those who mourn the loss of loved ones. Deo Volente.