

## Daily Devotion For July 25, 2022

<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

Yesterday during our Fellowship time, Kiku Kuwatani reminded us that today is the one year anniversary of the sudden passing of Yae Kuwatani due to a heart attack. While we all miss Yae, I appreciated what Kiku said about one day seeing Yae again in the Kingdom of Heaven. That is our hope and faith as we have trusted in Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord.

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:** Yae’s passing was sudden, quick, and unexpected. 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. Do you know anyone who is mourning the loss of loved ones? Pray for God’s comfort to be with them. Deo Volente.