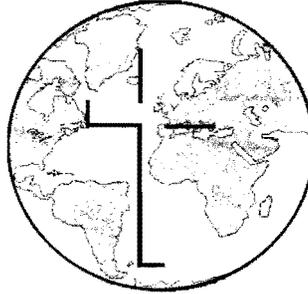


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## The Resurrection

*According to Matthew 27:56. 28:1-10*

As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and placed it in his own tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.

The next day, the one after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees went to Pilate. "Sir," they said, "we remember that while he was still alive that deceiver said "After three days I will rise again," So give the order for the tomb to be made secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people that he has been raised from the dead. This last deception will be worse than the first." "Take a guard," Pilate answered, "Go make the tomb as secure as you know how." So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting a guard.

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and

the other Mary went to look for the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb rolled back the stone and sat on it.

His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were as white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, he has risen just as he said, Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings" he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, there they will see me."

***Wishing each and every one of you a happy Resurrection in 2007.***

***Amid Habib, M.D., F.A.A.P., F.A.C.E.***

## قيامه المسيح

حسب انجيل متى الاصحاح ٢٧ : ٥٧ - ٢٨ : ١٠

واضبطوه كما تعلمون . فمضوا وضبطوا القبر بالحراس  
وختموا الحجر .

وبعد السبت ، عند فجر أول الأسبوع ، جاءت مريم  
المجدلية ومريم الأخرى لتنظرا القبر ، واذا زلزلة عظيمة  
حدثت ، لأن ملاك الرب نزل من السماء وجاء ودحرج الحجر  
عن الباب وجلس عليه . وكان منظره كالبرق ، ولباسه أبيض  
كالثلج . فمن خوفه ارتعد الحراس وصاروا كأموات . فأجاب  
الملاك وقال للمراتين « لا تخافا أنتما ! فاني أعلم انكما تطلبان  
يسوع المصلوب . ليس هو ههنا لأنه قام كما قال . هلما انظرا  
الموضع الذي كان الرب مضطجعا فيه ، واذهبا سريعا قولا  
لتلاميذه انه قد قام من الأموات . ها هو سبقكم الى الجليل .  
هناك ترونه . ها أنا قد قلت لكما . فخرجتا سريعا من القبر  
بخوف وفرح عظيم ، راكضتين لتخبرا تلاميذه . وفيما هما  
منطلقتان لتخبرا تلاميذه اذا يسوع لاقاهما وقال « سلام لكما » .  
فتقدمتا وأمسكتا بقدميه وسجدتا له . فقال لهما يسوع : « لا  
تخافا . اذهبا قولا لاختوتي ان يذهبوا الى الجليل وهناك  
يروني » .

ولما كان المساء جاء رجل غني من الرامة اسمه يوسف .  
وكان هو أيضاً تلميذاً ليسوع . فهذا تقدم الى بيلاطس وطلب  
جسد يسوع . فأمر بيلاطس حينئذ أن يعطى الجسد . فأخذ  
يوسف الجسد ولفه بكتان نقي ، ووضع في قبره الجديد الذي  
كان قد نحته في الصخرة ، ثم دحرج حجراً كبيراً على باب  
القبر ومضى . وكانت هناك مريم المجدلية ومريم الأخرى  
جالستين تجاه القبر .

وفي الغد الذي بعد الاستعداد اجتمع رؤساء الكهنة  
والفريسيون الى بيلاطس قائلين : « يا سيد ، قد تذكرنا ان  
ذلك المصل قال وهو حي إني بعد ثلاثة أيام أقوم ، فمر بضبط  
القبر الى اليوم الثالث ، لئلا يأتي تلاميذه ليلا ويسرقوه ،  
ويقولوا للشعب انه قام من الأموات ، فتكون الضلالة الأخيرة  
أشرف من الأولى » . فقال لهم بيلاطس « عندكم حراس . اذهبوا

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

For centuries Easter has proclaimed a message of hope. Easter reminds us that the majestic objectives of God can be found in the humblest places. Easter gives us hope that all the love and gifts that we have in this life originated from an even greater love and gift that came from Jesus the Savior of men and women.

The Easter season falls on our hearts with a sense of gratitude for the many blessings that our Heavenly Father has so graciously bestowed upon our lives. With these blessings comes a sense of accountability to reach out to others. Many of our Christian brothers and sisters still suffer from the consequences of illness and poverty in the Middle East. Easter reminds each of us that we have a duty to perform, to love our fellow brothers and sisters just as Christ loves us. By volunteering our time, talents and our love where they are needed most, we help heal the sick, comfort those who suffer and bring hope to those who despair.

Everything that we do at U.P.I.C. is made possible only because of the sacrificial giving and generosity of partners like you. Thank you for partnering and standing with us for the cause of the Kingdom of God throughout the months and years. May God Bless you abundantly. We at U.P.I.C wish you and your family a wonderful Easter.

Richard Brooks



# YOU'RE INVITED!

to a very special event  
**May 4, 2007 at 7:30 P.M.**

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Romans wrote



What the  
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and give you 1000 times  
what you have given us.

Thanks

to Janet Williamson for  
all her hard work and Linda  
McAleer for her assistance with  
the newsletters for Christmas  
and Easter.

***Mahatma Gandhi:***

"Having a different view from someone else should not lead to animosity because if this is the case, my wife and I should be the worst enemy."

***Goubran Khalil Goubran:***

"You pray when you are in distress and you pray when you are in need. I wish you pray when you are happy and have plenty, Know the Lord when you are happy and wealthy, He will know you when you are in need and in distress."

**Q U O T E S**

# Thank you!

I am deeply grateful for all of our friends who helped support us last year. Your donations for 2006 totaled \$31,381.00 and we distributed \$37,500.00 to help our needy brothers and sisters in Christ in the Middle East.

If you need a copy of our financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2006, please stop by our office to pick up one or call us to mail or fax one to you

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