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Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Susquehanna Conference,

Grace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, Healer of our Brokenness, and Hope of the World!

It is with great joy and thanksgiving to God that I write this letter. On Wednesday, August 5, 2020 Mission Central officially became a ministry of their own! The papers were signed, the ownership of the property was turned over to Mission Central and the loan to Seedling Ministries was paid in full. Like a child that has grown, Mission Central is now ready and able to take their next faithful step in God's vision for transforming the world. By the action of our Annual Conference and the accomplishment of Wednesday's closing, Mission Central will now have accessibility to greater financial resources beyond our conference. They will be able to apply for grants and financial resources which heretofore were closed to them.

What a journey it has been to come to this time in the history and life of Mission Central. We remember with thankfulness the leading of God's spirit through Bishop Neil Irons, whose vision and inspiration started what Mission Central is today.

Only God could envision the unbelievable future of this ministry. From its humble beginning with the vote of the former Central PA Conference, Mission Central has become known as the hands and feet of Christ locally, nationally, and globally! God, with the help of you the people of the Susquehanna Conference, has done and continues to do amazing and miraculous ministry. Millions of lives are served each year, hurts are healed, flood ravaged places are made whole, and many of the corners of the world have been touched because of Mission Central.

What a blessing to be part of this incredible ministry. Mission Central and the Susquehanna Conference will keep the partnership in mission and ministry in many ways. The people and churches of our Annual Conference will continue to volunteer and provide resources for the ongoing ministry of Mission Central throughout the world. Mission Central will still be an Advance Special of our conference. And, there will be representatives from the Susquehanna Conference to the Mission Central Board. Clearly Mission Central and our conference can continue together to be one in ministry to all the world.

I am so thankful to Bishop Irons, the people of the Susquehanna Conference and many partners and friends for your ability to allow God to lead Mission Central and us into God's preferred future. Your continued prayers and support for Mission Central would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks be to God for God's leading. Thanks be to God for the hard work of the staff and board members of Mission Central. Thanks be to God for your willingness to take this next step in the life and ministry of Mission Central. Praise be to God!

In Ministry with You,

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