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Dear Chyllis.

As a member of one of the reformed parishes in Amsterdam (Watergraafsmeer), I cannot accept the unlawful way you have been treated by the present rulers of your country and relegated to the indignity of being banned.

What we should like to say to you and to all people who are suffering because they are trying to find ways towards righteousness and peace, is this:

In all modesty we try to feel at one with you and to pray for you.

We know the decisive word is not given by any government or power of this world, but by the Messiah Jesus, who suffered, died and rose again.

He incorporates us in his suffering, in order to make us partakers of a new quality of life, that is indestructable.

We hope and pray that - in spite of a government that in these actions certainly does not show the features of Gods kingdom, and in spite of churches that are often lukewarm, cowardly and conformist - you will experience the strength and the comfort of our Lord, who doesn't ban, but breaks walls.

The Lord is risen indeed! Peace be with you!

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