## **Great Accomplishment**

Great is defined as, unusual or considerable in degree, power, intensity; much in use or favor. Accomplishment is defined as, an act or instance of carrying in effect; fulfillment. It also means something done admirably or creditably. Proverbs 13:19 states that "a desire accomplished is sweet to the soul..."As we have all progressed through life there are things we have wanted to accomplish, things we have accomplished, and things we are still trying to accomplish. In order to do so we have all had to preserve and overcome various obstacles in order to achieve them. As a saint and a member of the body of Christ one, if not the only, accomplishment we should have is being not only pleasing unto God but also being obedient to every commandment God has laid before us as given to us in the Bible. Romans 5: 1-5 reminds us that we were "justified by faith and "have peace with God" "knowing that tribulation produces perseverance"; which is something we all need to be able to press forth and achieve our goal at hand. We must not have fear because fear can bring about doubt. Revelation 2:10 says "do not fear those things which you are about to suffer" Whatsoever we "ask in faith, with no doubting, .... (James 1:6) and "count it all joy when (falling) into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience." (James 1:2-3). But we cannot rely on faith alone for James 2:14 & 17 reminds us of the fact that there must be faith and works in order to achieve any goals. Christians can expect to become closer to God by learning that they can persevere primarily because God is intimately related to them (Romans 8: 25 - 27) and especially because they have the assurance of a final reward in heaven (1 John 5:13).

So if ever you get weary just remember that Philippians 4:13 says "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. "

Janaye Tanks
New Mount Zion C.O.G.I.C