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My Dear Scholars,

BE STRONG-AN EPISTLE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

It is against the backdrop of the harsh realities of the current COVID-19 global pandemic that I decided to pen these words of counsel and encouragement to you my wonderful Scholars of our great institution, Gregory University Uturu.

As you may be aware I am currently locked down in New York where I came visiting, as has become my practice, to source more partnerships and collaborations for our university, while capitalising on the opportunity to see my family. I wish to therefore convey the good wishes and intercessions of my entire family and associates here in the US, who constantly join me in prayers for your safety, protection and general wellbeing, while seeking God so forgiveness and mercies for our sins as a people.

Being an institution with divine history and a Godly foundation, Gregory University Uturu will definitely come out from this experience bigger and better. Meanwhile, do take care to observe all safety protocols as prescribed by health professionals. Let me remind you that as great GUU Scholars you are our ambassadors and therefore expected to maintain high moral standards while shunning all youthful exuberances that could disrupt the smooth running of your different homes in particular and the progress of your respective communities in general.

While undertaking your online lectures as marshalled by our lecturers and the SERVICOM Desk in partnership with our ICT unit, I urge you to in response to the demands of the times, replicate the GUU 'can do' model by showcasing our traditional spirit of enterprise in your respective domains. I earnestly await testimonies of tangible impacts arising from your deployment of entrepreneurship models, relying heavily on already acquired technology skills. While it is true that most locations are currently locked down, it is however more true that your creative minds cannot be locked down.

Through the mercies of God, our university has been in the forefront of the good cause of providing palliatives to the less privileged in this season of COVID-19. I therefore commend members of management and other key officers for effectively managing the procurement and distribution exercise. The period has also been characterised by extensive networking with many critical stakeholders, including our alumni, who have continued to be supportive.

Please do stay safe and secured at home, through our Saviour we shall surely overcome.

This too shall pass.

I love you.

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