



## Keep the Faith

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During the Global Pandemic we all need to follow the health professional's guidelines and advice. We need to stay calm and believe that our faith will get us through this terrible COVID-19 virus. Please look out for the elderly, family, friends and neighbors for any support and guidance they may need by phone, Facetime, Zoom or Skype.

This month I would like to acknowledge two long time dedicated members of the MPO who recently passed away.

**Dorothy Pargoff, Detroit**, was a longtime friend of my parents and many other families from the Fatherland Chapter. Dorothy and her late husband Bob were very active and dedicated members of the MPO. They worked every year at the conventions and gave their heart and soul to support the MPO. Many of our families grew up together at St. Paul's Macedono-Bulgarian Church where we all became family.

**Jordan Lebamoff, Fort Wayne**, was an energetic and passionate MPO member. He served many roles in the organization as advisor, treasurer, local chapter president and most importantly president of the MPO. He also volunteered his services as the MPO lawyer and Tribune Building chairperson. When I first met Jordan, we had many talks about moving the MPO into the future. He gave me a lot of advice as I took over the presidency in 2018 and I appreciate all he accomplished for the MPO.

May God bless Dorothy and Jordan's families as they will both be truly missed by all. *Bog da gi prosti!* Memory Eternal!

April brings us the Easter season which is the most significant and sacred time commemorating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. American Easter is April 12th and Orthodox Easter is April 19th. This year our celebration will be very different due to our stay at home directives. For the first

time I was recently able to listen to a church service online. Even though we can't be with our immediate family or friends this year, I wish all of you a Blessed Easter and greet all of you with this Paschal greeting:

Christ is Risen! Indeed he has Risen!

Stay safe and well! God bless us all!

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*April Showers may bring  
May flowers, but an  
MPO membership  
will bring you  
Macedonian pride!*

