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Dear Lifewatch Friend:

In this season of Advent, Cindy Evans and I join together with you in patient preparation for the coming of Christ.

The challenge of being a United Methodist is largely the challenge of being patient. "Patient" is the first word St. Paul uses in his eloquent description of love (1 Cor. 13:4). In Romans 2:7, he champions "patiently doing good."

Since 1987, Lifewatch has been patiently testifying in The United Methodist Church that saving mothers and their soon-to-be-born children from abortion is embedded in the Gospel from the get-go. The slaughter of the holy innocents is remembered in the traditional Christian calendar just three days after Christmas. Could anything be clearer?

Tragically, the UMC's public witness of support for life and against abortion may be erased by the General Board of Church and Society's revision to the Social Principles statement (see 12/01/18 edition of Lifewatch).

Also under threat is the Biblical teaching that God's creation of male and female was "very good." And that marriage is one man and one woman becoming "one flesh" (Genesis 2:24). This, too, may be erased as special General Conference delegates meet in St. Louis, MO, on February 23-26, 2019, to determine the future structure of the UMC. After decades of patient witness, representatives from Lifewatch will be in St. Louis to advance and defend Bible-based doctrine and discipline for the UMC that will uphold the sanctity of life and marriage.

Will you be patient enough to help us financially in the difficult days ahead? Will you please consider a one-time donation of any amount to support our efforts in St. Louis?

By God's grace and your prayerful and financial help, Lifewatch's mission and witness will continue. May God guide our efforts to strengthen the sanctity of life and marriage in The United Methodist Church into the future.

In Christ,

(The Rev.) Paul T. Stallsworth
Pastor and Lifewatch President/Editor

YES... Continue to be a patient witness in The United Methodist Church so the church will be a witness to the sanctity of life and marriage!

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