

A Musical Moment by AMY

June 12th – The Climb

Ah! 2020. The year we joked we would all have 20/20 vision. If only we had known in 2019 what lay ahead. Well, this week's moment is for our **graduating class of 2020**.

Here we are! The middle of June 2020! Typically, schools would be open with overheated classrooms, over-excited graduating students and overtired teachers. But here we are in June 2020. Classrooms are closed, students are not getting all dolled up for graduation ceremonies and teachers are still overtired with new online learning and marking schemes. Things are different.

In our congregation I am aware of four girls who are about to finish elementary school. Amelia, Coral, Izzy and Vanessa, you have made it! **You** are the class who has lived through smartphones, the 2010 Vancouver Olympics, Netflix, Instagram and you might even remember the television show Hannah Montana starring Miley Cyrus.

Now, I do not appreciate all the stories I hear about Miley or even all her songs, but this week, I dedicate *The Climb* to our graduating class. If you know the piece, I hope you will understand why I chose this for you. In September 2020 you will start at the bottom of a new mountain. It may look scary, but you have inner strength, determination, peace, and God to get you to the peak. Believe Him when He encourages you to seek, ask, find (Matthew 7:7-8).

But, for the rest of us, this song represents our struggle, too. The song lyrics are included in the video. Notice the words, Keep the faith. As we continue to see restrictions lifted because of (or in spite of) Covid-19, may we all be encouraged that we have had a climb through the past 90+ days. Some days have been good; others, better.

Remember that what is on the other side of our faith is our Saviour, who has seen what 2020 was going to be like. He wants us to trust Him, no matter in what circumstance we may find ourselves.

So, yes, hats off to our Grade 8 grads; but hats off to us all for being steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:58).
Congratulations, folks!