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I am delighted to say that the university campus ministry of InterVarsity is recovering well after a long pause because of COVID and the resulting drifting and scattering of students.

InterVarsity Chapters in our Northern California Region are still small but filling with young and new students, Bible Studies are growing and they are the seeds of the future on our campuses.

We sent students to Campus by the Sea this spring, quite a drive from Sacramento, Reno, the Bay Area even Humboldt – but students were up for a road trip and a week on the island and for the manuscript studies of the Scriptures and fellowship.

In April we celebrated Resurrection Sunday and I have had the privilege of co-pastoring a small mission church at the Eskaton Retirement Village that my home church planted some 18 years ago. What a delight to be with these faithful saints, still young and full of sap! They inspire me!

## Psalm 92:12-15

"The righteous will flourish like a palm tree; they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the Lord. They will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green ("full of sap", in the RSV), proclaiming 'The Lord is upright: He is my rock and there is no wickedness in Him.'."

And, after a long-wet winter and spring, and weather that has not been as hard on us in Sacramento as it has in many other places, spring finally pressed its way through and summer is almost here.

It is lovely and we were able to host our student picnics again in the large back yard where I live, with a side serving of axe throwing, bow and arrows and corn hole. The end of the school year was a busy time – but it seems that things are re-setting nicely in ministry. New growth is evident and we are making sure we do not leave anyone behind!

Three student teams are going on short term summer experiences. Two Global Issues and Justice weekends are scheduled in the next weeks that I am helping to lead, and I am setting up the training for our summer teams.

Thank you for all the prayers, for the many who have inquired how things are going, and for your support.

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