



## Welcome to District Conference!!

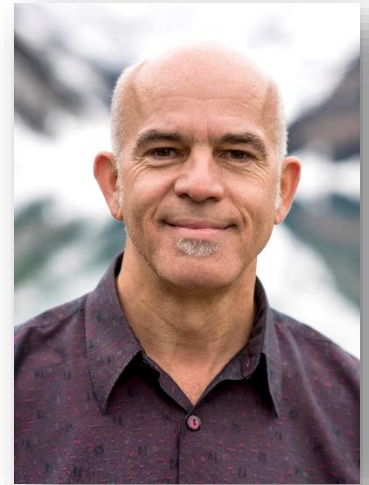
By Rev. Brent Trask

We have been praying for you and anticipating this day for many months now, trusting that Jesus will have a special gift in store for each of us as we gather together in His name.

It's time for virtual hugs and to enjoy our companionship across the WCD family. It's time to worship and pray, breathe, and receive.

It's a time reflect on what has been and embrace what is yet to come.

And it's time to refuel and dream again!



There are so many verses in the Bible where everything shifts around two simple words, *"But God..."*

Genesis 50:20

You intended to harm me, **but God** intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Psalms 73:26

My flesh and my heart may fail, **but God** is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Matthew 19:26

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, **but with God** all things are possible.

Acts 3:15

You killed the author of life, **but God** raised him from the dead.

Romans 5:8

**But God** demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

*Every moment of every day,  
we are one Sovereign Shift away from a whole new reality.*



# 2021 District Conference

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## Bring it on Lord!

It's been a brutal year to be a leader. Tumultuous times filled with plenty of challenges, complexity, and chaos beyond what we ever imagined we could endure. *But by God's grace we have.*

And the future, it looks less predictable than ever. We wonder ...

How long Lord will COVID-19 last?

Will our people still be 'our people'?

What will ministry look like on the other side of pandemic?

How can I possibly lead the way forward when I really don't know what I'm doing??

***But by God's grace, we will.***

There is no better stability through the ages, strength in the midst of storm, encouragement in crisis, and hope for the future than abiding in union with Christ. In Him. Rooted and ready for what is next.

## *How is God defining your path forward this year?*

As resilient people in Christ, we endure this intense season of **sifting**, being refined, and strengthened for His Kingdom. We are also **shifting** with the changing times, in step with Jesus, imagining and adapting ourselves to new ways of advancing in mission.

Thank you for joining us.

Serving with joy,

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