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Hope in Remembrance

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13

I am an optimistic person. I see signs of Hope all over the place. Recently when I walked into our church, I observed this sign on the wall. What a wonderful sign of Hope.

And when we were camping a while back, I observed a very old tree clinging to the side of a tall rock wall. That tree has received enough nourishment over the years to survive in a very difficult environment. I'm not sure how the tree survives, but I do see this as a sign of Hope.

So what hope do I see as Remembrance Day nears?

I have not been close to war. I have not had to endure it's horror. And like it is with the tree that survives on the side of the cliff, it is impossible for me to understand the conviction and fortitude that soldiers felt and feel when fighting for and defending their country.

For me, another sign of Hope was this paragraph from the "No Stone Left Alone Memorial Foundation"

Remembrance Day is a memorial day observed by Canadians and other members of the Commonwealth since the end of the First World War in order to remember all those who have fought and died in the line of duty to keep us free. Every year on November 11, Canadians pause in a moment of silence to honour and remember more than 2 million Canadians who have served, and continue to serve, Canada during times of war, conflict, and peace. If we do not remember, their sacrifice is meaningless.

This is the 100th anniversary of the Poppy as a symbol of remembrance. For every poppy I see, I will offer a hug of thanks through prayer for those sacrifices.

We are Abounding in Hope.

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P.S. Please consider sharing your Hope. You can send us a letter for publication or even just a few of your thoughts to our email Hyatt.le.rc@gmail.com or via a phone call at 519-897-8315

