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Fellow Rotarians and Rotaractors, as we usher in December, it is surely a reality check. We are at the halfway mark of the Rotary Year. So much is still left to be done, but this is the ideal time to assess where we are. I have had the privilege of meeting with 66 of our 88 Rotary Clubs. The remaining 22 are all based in Haiti. We are hoping that with increased improvements in the situation on the ground, I will be able to visit Haiti in the early part of the upcoming year. Haiti, we stand with you!

I am pleased to report that the District is in a good place based on preliminary assessments. Our clubs are vibrant, meeting their financial obligations and positively impact their community through projects, programs and services. Dennis and I thank you for the hospitality shown and look forward to seeing you at District Conference 2023, where we will recognize deserving persons and clubs

November has been great with Foundation giving and activities. I cannot say thank you enough for the support of District 7020. The Foundation recognition and membership inductions surpassed expectations. I am truly so proud of what we have done. There is no better gift that the spirit of giving in District 7020. I take this opportunity to thank the hard working District Team and Club Officers for their dedication in bringing our goals to fruition.

December being Disease Prevention and Treatment Month gives us "Infinite Possibilities". We can choose to tackle any of the diseases plaguing our communities. "We are this close" and Polio Eradication remains our bullseye target. Over time we have witnessed the ravishes of Hypertension, Diabetes, and Alzheimer/Dementia on our loved ones. Let us keep those who are suffering in our prayers, our thoughts and our actions during the Holiday Season. My wish is to cure these diseases and improve the quality of life for all in our community.

Please enjoy the various holiday celebrations and share the joy throughout your community. We look forward to a prosperous New Year filled with opportunities to make others' lives better. Join me in a count down to a better tomorrow. With God's grace I will see you in 2023 as we "Imagine Rotary".

Yours in Rotary Service.

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District Governor 2022-2023