

THE IMMIGRANT'S APOSTLES CREED

***We believe in Almighty God,
who guided the people in exile
and in exodus,
the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of
foreigners and immigrants.***

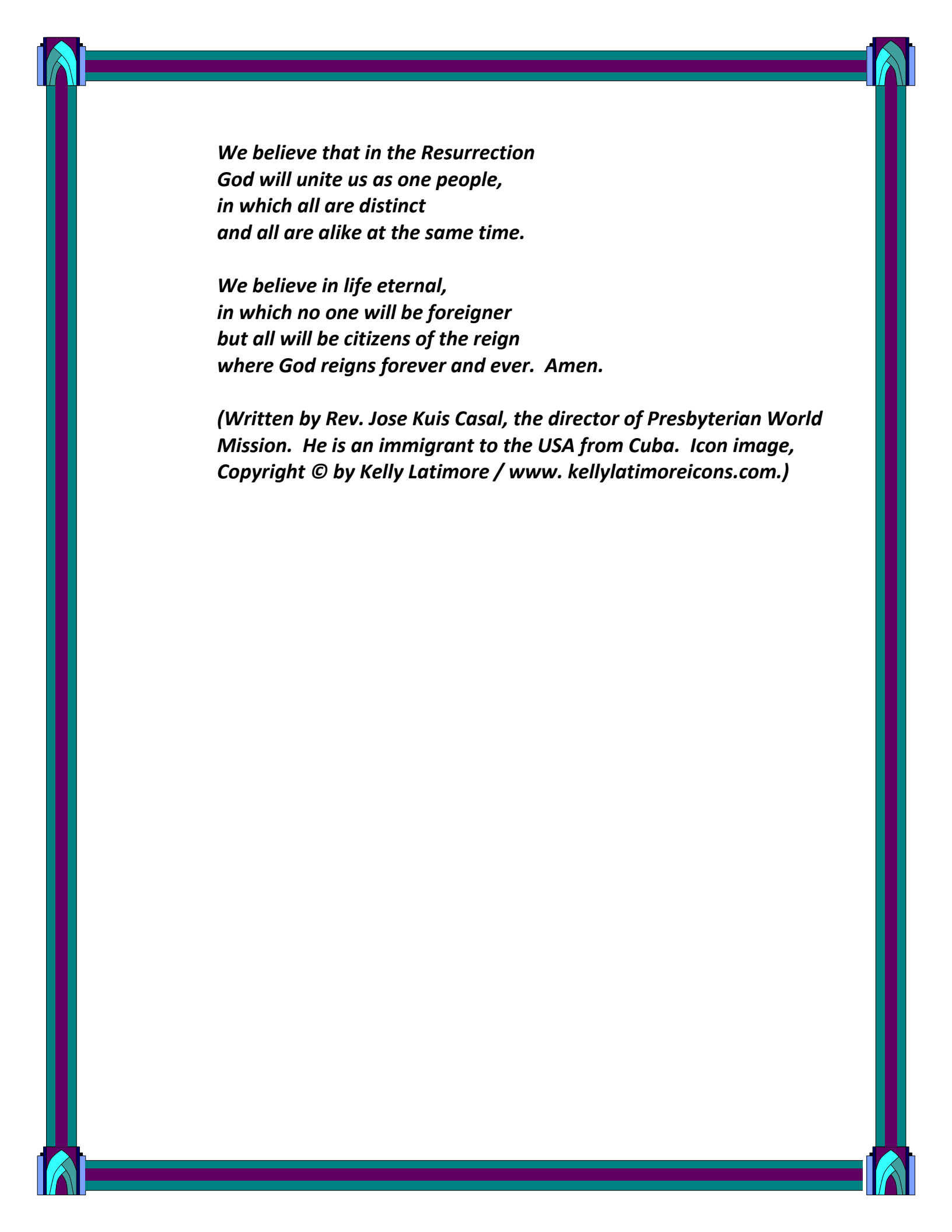
***We believe in Jesus Christ,
a displaced Galilean,
who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his
country with this parents when his life was in danger.
When he returned to his own country
he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a
foreign power.***

***Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured,
and unjustly condemned to death.
But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead, not as a scorned
foreigner, but to offer us citizenship in God's reign.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit.
the eternal immigrant
from God's reign among us,
who speaks all languages,
lives in all countries,
and reunites all races.***

***We believe that the Church
is the secure home for foreigners and all believers.
We believe that the communion of saints begins when we embrace
all God's people, in all their diversity.***

***We believe in forgiveness,
which makes us all equal before God,
and in reconciliation,
which heals our brokenness.***



*We believe that in the Resurrection
God will unite us as one people,
in which all are distinct
and all are alike at the same time.*

*We believe in life eternal,
in which no one will be foreigner
but all will be citizens of the reign
where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.*

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