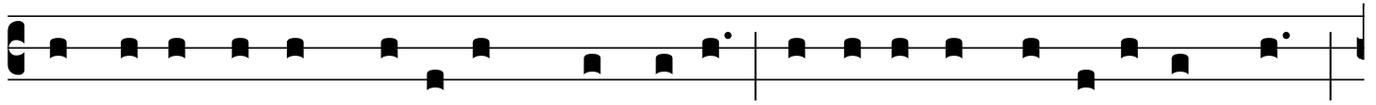


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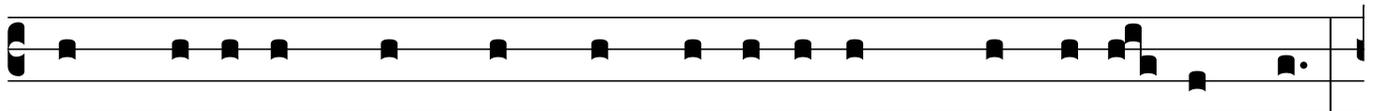
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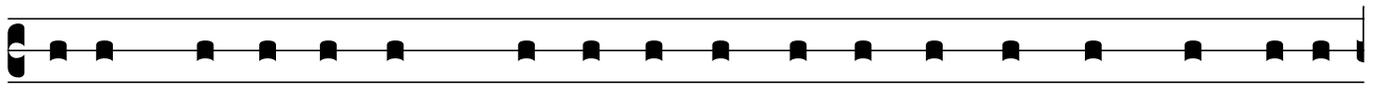
Paul, an a-postle of Christ Je-sus by the will of God, for the sake of



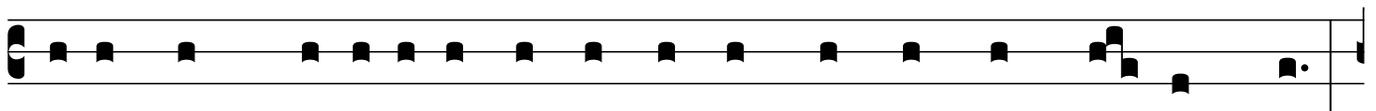
the promise of life that is in Christ Je-sus, To Timothy, my be-lov-ed child:



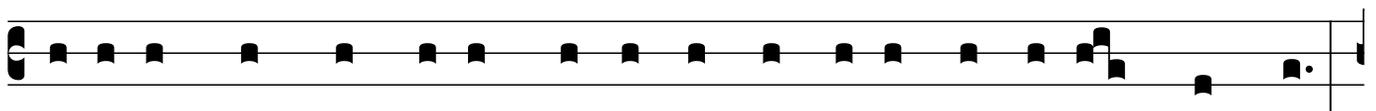
Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Je-sus our Lord.



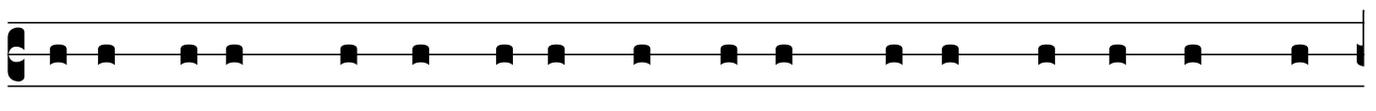
I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my an-



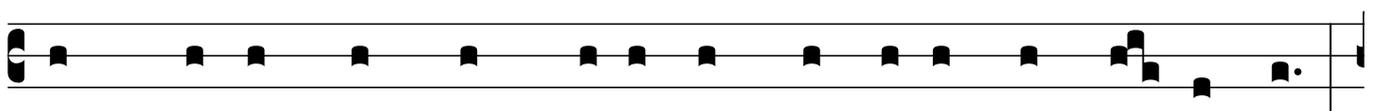
cestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.



Re-call-ing your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.



I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grand-



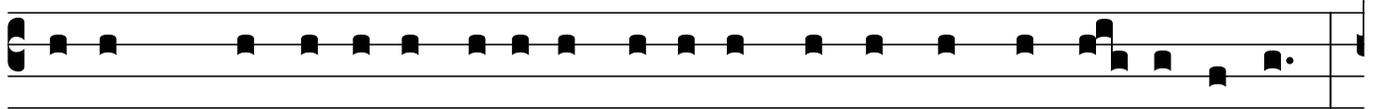
mother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.



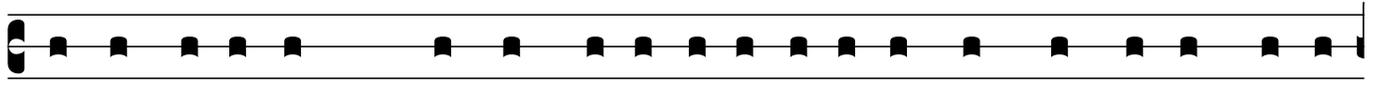
For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you



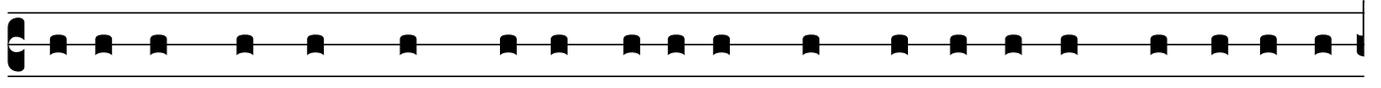
through the lay-ing on of my hands, for God did not give us a spir-it of



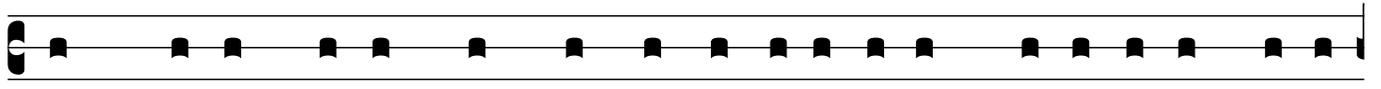
cowardice but rather a spir-it of power and of love and of self-dis-ci-pline.



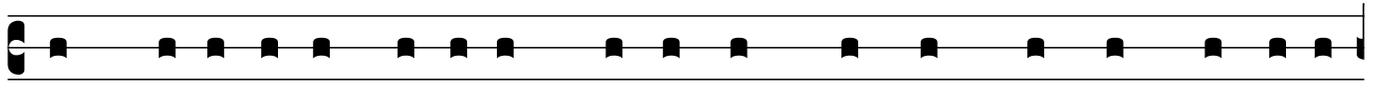
Do not be ashamed, then, of the tes-timo-ny about our Lord or of me his



pris-on-er, but join with me in suffer-ing for the gospel, in the power of



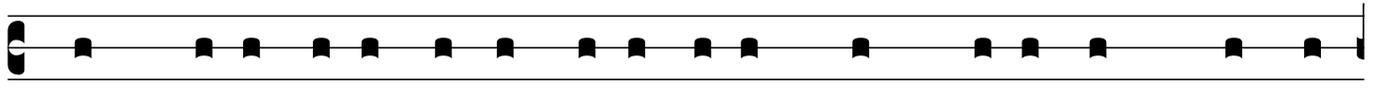
God, who saved us and called us with a ho-ly call-ing, not according to our



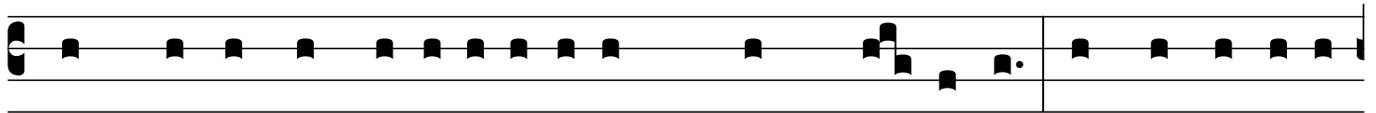
works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was giv-en



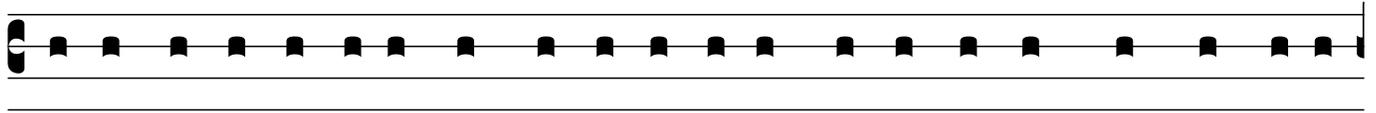
to us in Christ Je-sus be-fore the ag-es be-gan, but it has now been revealed



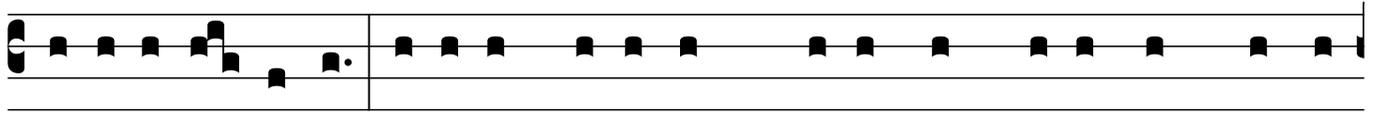
through the appear-ing of our Savior Je-sus Christ, who abol-ished death and



brought life and immortal-i-ty to light through the gospel. For this gospel I



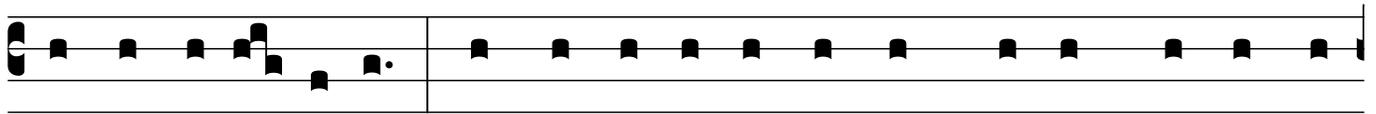
was appointed a her-ald and an a-postle and a teacher, and for this reason



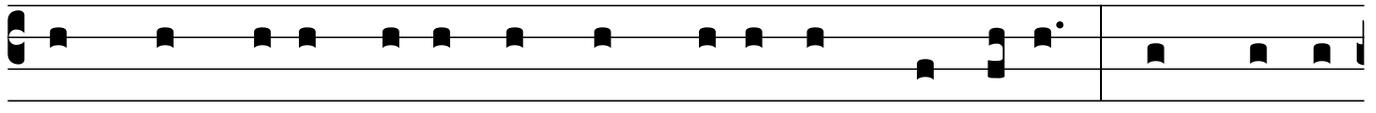
I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I



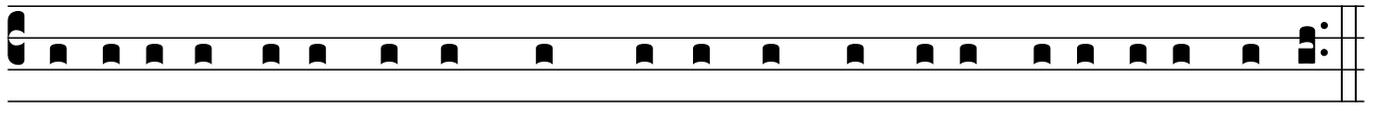
have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard the de-pos-it I



have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have



heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Je-sus. Guard the good



de-pos-it entrusted to you, with the help of the Ho-ly Spir-it liv-ing in us.