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Dear Honored Guests

It's a great honor for me to stand here to represent my graduating colleagues in this moment of joy and victory as we celebrate the triumph and our hard work of the past 4 years.

Our education continued from when we first learned the letter of the alphabet from A to Z. Through our resolve and our perseverance we nurtured the growth of our tree of knowledge. We were successful in completing our secondary schools!

And now comes time for another harvest ... After four years of hard work ...to bid farewell to the University which is very dear to our hearts. We will not forget what it has given us, to be able to celebrate today as we leap forward.

My dear graduate colleagues, fellow alumni, we are now a new generation of graduates. We will move to the new world with our knowledge and education.

I hope to be exemplary ambassadors of Bethlehem University and to carry a message of morality and knowledge which we learned from this University ... and to be active members of society and to contribute to its development and evolution, even if it might be through the simplest ways and means...

And I hope that each of us finds the right opportunity for our self, and that peace and good prevail, with the barriers and the wall removed for us all to enjoy a better life and overcome the economic problems and difficult life...

As graduates, we should be proud of our degrees.

Allow me to extend my gratitude to University's Administration and its faculty and the Office of the Dean of Students for enhancing and planting in us the spirit of perseverance and the ability to face the challenges of life!

Special thanks to the Faculty of Science and the Biology Department with its minor in Medical Laboratory Science, a specialization which extends our horizons and knowledge about the science of nature and life, enabling us to help physicians in their diagnostic efforts so as to prescribe appropriate treatment – thus achieving the ultimate end which is health and integrity.

In conclusion, we dedicate this success to our parents and families.

I hope studying at Bethlehem University is not the end of the road but the beginning of other bright successes