WALDPORT FBC

My soul ... is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lamentations 3:20-23



STAYING STRONG

Pray

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1Thessalonians 5:16-18

Read God's Holy Word

Let your steadfast love comfort me according to your promise to your servant. Let your rmercy come to me, that I may live; for your law is my delight. Psalm 119:76-77

Sing & Praise

... my mouth will praise you with joyful lips, when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night; for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. Psalm 63:5-7

Encourage

And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. 1 Thessalonians 5:14

Let's Share Together How God is Encouraging You

We don't know how long this social distancing will continue, so let's stay connected. Share how God is encouraging you.

Tell Nancy or Pastor Mike, and we'll share it here!

~text, call or email ~

While stay-at-home order is in place:

- •Rose was visited and sung to for her birthday by seven masked members staying six feet apart out in her yard. She commented "It's so hard having no one to talk to."
- •<u>Michelle</u> has been cooking as always, keeping her household healthy, while husband <u>Kirk</u> and daughter <u>Kristen</u> have had their new jobs. Flora is doing well.
- <u>Pastor Mike & Nancy</u> have had unprecedented time with grandchildren while son, Josh and family are in Waldport riding out the exile, teaching online, unable to return to China. Preschool crafts, walks, & seeing God's creation together has been a daily joy. When the family goes to Idaho, Junie (1) and Zelda (4) will leave a big gap.
- •<u>Tina & Chuck</u> donned masks and helped <u>Eileen</u> move from Waldport to Yachats. Eileen is happily setting into her new home.
- Seven Youth Sunday School students have been resuming classes via group phone video. We've been able to include Matt from college in Eugene, and Cailan (Pastor's granddaughter) from Albany! Avery, Vivian, Tater, Emma, Gary Jr, from Yachats Bibles open, phones on– and go!
- •Our wonderful <u>Deacons</u> and their helpers are trying to keep their ears & eyes open, as always for needs of folks, bringing this newsletter and copies of bible studies to those without computer access.
- •People on the "broadcast list" have written to <u>Pastor Mike</u> that they've been encouraged by the audio sermons and Bible studies that he prepares, which <u>Bill</u> then works tirelessly to put on our website, then sending email notices to you.
- •This Sunday, follow along in **2Corinthians 1:2-5, Father of Mercies, God of All Comfort...** Study also, midweek from home on the 11 appearances of Christ after resurrection.

Please tell us, this week, how God is getting you through this unprecedented, history-making time, so we can share it here, and give God the Glory! Text or call or email Nancy or Pastor Mike.

STAYING CONNECTED:

MAKE A PHONE CALL, ATEXT, AN EMAIL:

Have you contacted friends from our church family? Ask God who you might call or message this week. And do it!

CRAFTING SHOW & TELL

Share what you're making for the OCC craft sale; we will share with others through this newsletter. Send a photo! Text to Nancy H. Still hoping to see one!

ARE YOU OKAY?

Our deacons are seeing that people's needs are being taken care of, without anyone even knowing! Let one of them know if you have a need. Don't let the isolation harm you, reach out, please. Pastor Mike, Nancy, Wini and others will be happy to pray with you over the phone.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER:

"By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35



Psalm 8

Remember when we began Answers in Genesis for our Sunday School curriculum in Fall of 2018? We memorized several verses in Psalm 8. If you step out on a clear night before you go to bed, Gaze up at the sky for a while and know that God's "got this."

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him...? Ps 8:3-4

Pastor Mike sent out a link to watch the Bible Project's Overview of Genesis 1-11. Did you watch it yet?

Always Keep on Praying for All the Saints*

- Pray for yourself, on duty for God to Central Oregon Coast
- **Pray for your local friends and neighbors.** Some have lost income, some are fearful of getting covid19, some are very lonely, some may be struggling, cooped up—seeking for peace and contentment.
- Pray for our church body's needs on our prayer list.
- And remember to pray for our FBC missionaries by name: (last names removed for their protection):

Jason & Courtney + 2 Kids......IMB, Malaysia
Allen & Bethany + 2 kids......Wycliffe, Malaysia
Mark & Rachel + 4 boys.....Wycliffe, Malaysia
Jeremy & Amy + 3 boys....Frontiers Missions, Russia
Jeff & Barbara....IMB, DRC
Kevin & Victoria + 3 kids....IMB, Uganda
Joel & Kellie + 3 kids....IMB, Philippines

* Ephesians 6:18

Gratefully Giving

This week's offering was: \$5,046 April's offering so far:\$7,471 Thank you for still giving; during this time of social distancing, Norm, our financial director reminds us that we can send a check in the mail (Paid to: FBC Waldport, PO Box 787, Waldport, OR 97394), and if it is to be designated for anything except the General Fund, that designation should be noted in the MEMO area at the bottom left corner of the check. Also, if you use Bill Pay through your bank, you can do it all online and save the cost of an envelope, a stamp, and the time involved with putting it in the mail. If neither of the above suggested ways for you to be able to get your offering to the church is convenient, and you would like for someone to pick it up at your house, please contact our Deacons by calling or messaging Doug at (541) 990-1303

"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income." 1Corinthians 16:2

Contact us: Have questions? A story from your isolation?

Need help during these unpredictable times?

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