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Dear Broadview Family and friends,

We continue to closely tracking the news of the Corona virus (COVID-19) both locally and globally. As you're aware, BMBC has been closed for worship service since Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. While this virus continues to spread through close contact, the church has taken several precautionary measures as recommended established by the State of Illinois [www.dph.illinois.gov](http://www.dph.illinois.gov) and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) to reduce the spread of COVID-19. I encourage you and your family to follow the established prevention measures. Visit the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/home/index.html> for additional information. Our primary objective as a church, during this COVID-19 crisis, is to make our church a safe and healthy environment as we continue to minister to the needs of our church and community. I will use the remainder of this letter to share BMBC ministry information and ways you can participate, stay informed or volunteer to help. Information is also provided for you on how you will receive updates on COVID-19 and our BMBC reopening plan.

**While the days ahead hold unknowns, we are here to help.** We all realize that the impact of COVID-19 has had a ripple effect in our lives emotionally, spiritually, physically, mentally and financially; but God is still in control. We want to help you cope with the challenges of COVID-19 that may come your way and encourage you to participate in the BMBC ministries currently available. The past and coming weeks have presented BMBC with new opportunities to bring the hope and compassion of Christ to our church members and community. Even though our sanctuary has been closed, there are still many important Broadview ministries and new church activities that are in full force. I invite you to participate in the BMBC ministries detailed below.

- **Sunday Worship Services** – 10:30 AM via YouTube (Communion on 1st Sundays)
- **Wednesday Midweek Prayer Services** – 7:00 PM via Teleconference To connect dial (425) 436-6381 Access Code 272263 (message and data rates may apply)
- **Wednesday Midweek Worship Services** – 8:00 PM via YouTube

- **Thursday Community (Jerusalem) Outreach Food Assistance** – 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (non-perishable food drop-off 4 PM - 5 PM and food pick-up 5 PM - 6 PM – west parking lot)
- **Communion Packet Pick-up** – Monday – Friday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. and Saturday 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. (juice and wafer pick-up at BMBC – east side of building).

**BMBC Mission Ministry**—The Mission Ministry (*Jerusalem Outreach*) has given out over 600 meals and groceries to assist families within Proviso Township; delivered over 60 goodwill packages to healthcare workers at the Hillside Nursing Home; and provided support to healthcare workers at the six Lexington Health Care Center. *Help! More volunteers are needed!*

**BMBC CARES**—*Connect...Acknowledge... Remind... Encourage... Share...*

Fellowship and communication are especially important during times like the COVID-19 crisis. The BMBC CARES initiative was designed to enable ministry leaders to connect with, encourage, inform and minister to BMBC members with whom we have not had contact with since our church facilities were closed in mid-May, due to COVID 19. The personal phone calls have been well received by each member contacted, their requests from the church were shared with ministry leaders and communicated to the church leadership.

**Get connected!** If you want to be informed of the various ministries electronically, you must be signed up to receive BMBC text and email messages. Does the church have your most up-to-date contact information, such as your cell number and email address? If not, please contact the church to provide this information for our records so that you can receive updates on BMBC affairs, events and activities.

We, the Pastor and Finance Committee thank you for your continued support to the financial obligations of the church during this challenging time. Now, more than ever before, people need to know the love of God! While we may not be physically gathering at the building, the ministry of this church continues. Remember your gift of volunteer time and financial support is needed. Please use one of the following ways to give.

1. Send a check via regular mail or drop it off at BMBC’s east entrance M-F from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (ring the doorbell to gain entrance).
2. Via text: in the text address bar enter: 73256; in the message bar enter BMBC, then follow the prompts.
3. Go to the church website [www.broadviewbaptist.org](http://www.broadviewbaptist.org) click: “Donate” below the church name, then follow the instructions for giving.

**BMBC’s Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)** is accepting donations for personal protective equipment and care items at the church, M-F from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Suggested items include: masks, rubber gloves, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, disinfectant sprays, goggles and thermometers. Financial contributions are also accepted to assist in making purchases of personal protective equipment and care items. Your donations, financial contributions and sacrifice of time to help others are truly appreciated. Church members in need of personal protective equipment, care items or want to help the BMBC’S CIT should contact the church by phone or email [BMBCHelps@broadviewmbchurch.org](mailto:BMBCHelps@broadviewmbchurch.org).

**Church Reopening Task Force**—The Church Board recently appointed a Church Reopening Task Force to develop a plan to gradually and safely reopen BMBC for full in-person worship service, Bible study and fellowship. We will provide you with updates on COVID-19 and our reopening plan for BMBC via email, the church’s website [www.broadviewbaptist.org](http://www.broadviewbaptist.org) and written correspondence.

Finally, please remain prayerful for our church, community and the world, especially for those directly impacted by COVID-19. If you have prayer requests, need protective equipment, care items, support, or *want to volunteer to help*, please contact BMBC at **(708) 343-3700**. I will continue to pray for you and look forward to worshipping with you at BMBC in the near future. *“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!”* (2 Cor. 13:14)

Blessings, comfort and peace,



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