

## 3/19/20.... IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR SOUTHSIDE



Greeting in Christ to Southsiders!

I have been seeking to keep updated as to COVID-19.... The news changes every day! Earlier today, I spoke with the other Elders. I also decided to connect with SEVERAL like-minded pastor friends... to see what they are doing. (Most of

them are taking steps similar to ours... and/or proceeding with LIVE STREAMING worship services... to be viewed in homes; and/or setting up HOME GROUPS throughout their church families.)

**OUR PLANS for this coming Sunday, March 22... this is DIFFERENT from the Newsletter we sent out, EARLIER this week. PLEASE GO BY THIS:**

**1. \*\*\* NO Sunday School for 3/22/20...// NO EVENING SERVICE.** We plan to EVALUATE our decisions... one week at a time.

**2. \*\*\* 3/22/20, WORSHIP SERVICE IS SCHEDULED at 10:45am, regular time.... HOWEVER: \*\*\* There will be NO NURSERY!**

**3. \*\*\* We WILL sit in the auditorium... WITH PROPER SPACING between one another, similar to last Sunday! (We can meet CDC guidelines... considering the size of the auditorium... Plus, if need be, we can use the balcony) THANKS IN ADVANCE, FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**

**4. \*\*\* IF YOU ARE SICK... or still coughing, sneezing, etc. ... please STAY HOME.**

**NOTE: WE are having our monthly Deacons/Elders meeting on Saturday the 28th, after the Men's Bible Study, 9:15am .... \*\*\* We will further discuss all of the above, plus Wednesday nights, plus getting PREPARED ... for days ahead. \*\*\* We will receive a report on setting up ON LINE GIVING for those who desire it; and for those far and wide among the Grow in Grace Newsletter folks. \*\*\* We will receive a report on 'LIVE STREAMING' our worship service, the Men's Saturday Bible Study, etc.**

**If you have questions.... Thoughts.... You would like for us to consider.... Please send them to me @ [jwillie123@aol.com](mailto:jwillie123@aol.com)**

**Grace to all! James Bell**

**PS.... THE FOLLOWING IS GLEANED FROM THE CDC:** On Sunday, (3/15/20) the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said **they recommend that a ban be put in place on gatherings of 50 or more people for the next eight weeks.** The CDC said these events could include everything from professional sporting events, concerts and theater shows to local festivals, parades, church assemblies and even weddings. "Large events and mass gatherings can contribute to the spread of COVID-19 in the United States via travelers who attend these events and introduce the virus to new communities."

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**NOTE: For our Worship Service... \*\*\* (1) We are not** having folks travel in from other places. **\*\*\* (2) We will use** our balcony to accommodate the 50<sup>th</sup> and above worshipers. **\*\*\* (3) We will have** our deacons and ushers helping in these matters. **\*\*\* ASAP... we will be set up for LIVE STREAMING** our services... and giving our church families full information as to being able to 'plug in' to this....

**\*\*\* THESE ARE DIFFICULT TIMES... they COULD get much more DIFFICULT—**

***SO LET US ALL PLEASE BE PATIENT and KIND and respectful to one another FOR CHRIST'S SAKE! WE HAVE NOT BEEN DOWN THESE ROADS BEFORE--- BUT, AS WE STAY CLOSE TO JESUS, WE WILL BE FINE! REMEMBER: In Christ, we have LIBERTY. If you believe you are led to attend or not to attend this Sunday's Worship Service—GOD BLESS YOU!***