



March 17, 2020

Dear Church Family,

After much prayer, your MBC Leadership Team has decided we will comply with the CDC recommendation of not gathering in large groups. We will postpone all meetings and activities at the church for the rest of the month-basically the same schedule as the local schools at this time. (After these two weeks, we will revisit this topic and make future decisions.)

We still believe it is best for GOD'S PEOPLE to gather corporately in Prayer, Worship, and Bible Study. Therefore, we will be broadcasting a 10:45 AM Worship Service on Sundays, and a 6:30 PM Bible Study on Wednesday evenings via Facebook Live. You can also view or listen to past services on our website ([www.murdalebaptist.org](http://www.murdalebaptist.org)).

The Church Office is also closed to outside traffic. If you have a need, please call the office (618-529-5800) and a staff member will get back with you.

Finally, remember:

- \*Trust in God and rest on His promises. Give in to Faith, not Fear and panic!
- \*Pray for healing for the sick, the endurance for the doctors and nurses and caregivers, insight for the researchers, and wisdom for our leaders.
- \*Check on each other: offer to pick up food or medicines for those who might vulnerable to illnesses; encourage one another with prayer and sharing Bible truths; look for creative ways to minister!
- \*Look for opportunities to share Jesus with those who are panicking and giving into fear.
- \*Reflect on the brevity of life, the urgency of eternity, and the beauty of the gospel!

Remember:

*"God has not given us a Spirit of Fear, but of Power, Love, and a Sound Mind." 2 Timothy 1:7*