

First Mount Zion Baptist Church COVID-19 Update. Monday, March 23, 2020

The work to protect and connect the congregation amidst the challenges of COVID-19 continues. Pastor, Luke E. Torian met with the Leadership of First Mount Zion Baptist Church, yesterday, Sunday, March 22, 2020, after the 11:00 am worship service. The meeting was to provide assessments of the Church's financial, operational, and service delivery standing to date.

Financial

Trustee Oscar Dailey reported on the availability of resources. The Church is well-positioned to meet its financial obligations through April and May. However, the impacts of COVID-19 on the economy may well exceed the month of May. It is important to note that giving is down in the absence of corporate worship. It is, therefore, necessary to provide members with the information or support needed to facilitate giving during this time. As a reminder, the act of giving can be done at any time through the online giving link found at www.fmzbc.com. The link is active 24/7. Please contact the Church if you need any assistance with online giving. Giving can also be done by the mailing of tithes and offerings to the Church, First Mount Zion Baptist Church, 16622 Dumfries Road, Dumfries, Virginia, 22025. If you prefer, you may contact your Zone Leaders to arrange a time for them to pick up your tithes and offerings for delivery to the Church.

Operational

Currently, FMZBC remains closed. Our coming together in corporate worship and service through activities are postponed until further notice. Your Zone Leaders will continue to keep in touch with you to provide updates. If at any time you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your Zone Leaders. The website is also a resource for you providing the most current information and updates. www.fmzbc.com
Remember the Church is CLOSED. Please do not access the building without authorization.

Service Delivery Connection Points-

Your ongoing virtual engagement with the Ministry has been great!

- Sunday **Worship**. We will continue to live-stream one worship service on Sundays, to include 5th Sunday and Palm Sunday at 11:00 am. Easter Sunday will be streamed, time to be determined. Please go to www.fmzbc.com or Facebook Live to view the service. Information regarding Holy Week services is forthcoming.
- Continue connecting through **Small Groups**.
- Sunday **School Extended** can be found on Facebook Live at 9:45 am on Sundays.
- Pastor Torian's **Weekly Word of Encouragement** will be posted on Facebook and the FMZ website every Tuesday. www.fmzbc.com
- Wednesday **Night Bible Study**. More details to come.

- **Giving.** There are several options.
 - Online. WWW.FMZBC.COM and click on ONLINE GIVING, at any time.
 - By mail. First Mount Zion Baptist Church, 16622 Dumfries Road, Dumfries, Va. 22025.
 - Schedule a time for pick up, from your home with your Zone Leader.

Are these challenging times? Yes, but God continues to show himself faithful. He is still with each of us. Yesterday, today and forever. His promise is, "I am with you always". Stay Connected and Stay Encouraged.

Pastor Luke E. Torian