

Pastor Brian's  
Mid Week Message  
March 25, 2020

**“INVITE PEOPLE TO CHURCH”**

*And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:24-25*

Amidst all of the interruptions and inconveniences that our coronavirus restrictions have placed on us there are some new and unique opportunities. While we are not able to gather together “en masse” we are still able to come together in the Spirit through our Facebook worship streaming. That means that we also still have the opportunity to invite family, friends and neighbors to come to worship with us, and if you think about it, in a less intimidating manner. I often say that one of the most difficult things for people today who are not well connected to the faith to do is to walk through the doors of a church on Sunday morning where they know virtually no one. The thought of that frightens many people for many reasons, so in order to spare themselves the potential trouble, stress and embarrassment they stay away. In our current environment those doors don't exist. Our congregation has the ability now to come to them, right in the comfort and security of their own home. All that we have to do is issue the invitation to check us out, and tell them how to find us; how to reach our Facebook page. This also means that we can invite folks to worship with us who live not just within driving distance of 1379 South McCall Road but anywhere in the world! The commute time doesn't exist anymore either. I also know that there are churches that don't have the a/v capability to broadcast, record and replay their worship services at this time. If you know of anyone who attends one of these churches invite them to tune into our Sunday and Wednesday worship services. I know that all of you are joining me in crying out to God to bring this crisis to an end as quickly as possible, according to His good and perfect plan. While we wait for His perfect timing to be revealed let's seize these new opportunities that have come before us, not with the single goal of growing OUR church, but rather the desire to grow THE CHURCH; increasing the eternal population of heaven.