

Greetings Hope Family!

If you're like most of us, you probably seem to have more time on your hands than in previous days. Even if you are working from home, your day is very different; needless to say, the commute is much shorter. We're not rushing around dropping off or picking up our kids from school, sports, dance or other commitments. The question is... How are we spending this "extra" time? We suggest this would be a great time for us to get closer to God and grow in our faith. James 4:8 reminds us to "draw near to God, and He will draw near to you." Something we need to always be mindful of – not just during these crazy days!

We eagerly look forward to the day when we, as a congregation, can gather physically and enjoy worship and fellowship in the same place. Until then, during this holy week, we have a couple ways for us to stay connected (virtually) with each other in our Hope family:

Good Friday Service – April 10, 7:00pm (Live-stream) via [Hope's Facebook page](#).

Easter Celebration Service – April 12, 9:45am (Live-stream) via [Hope's Facebook page](#).

Prayer has always been an important part of Hope Church and it is especially important during this time of physical distancing! As such, please **share your prayer requests and praises** to [Hope's Prayer Team](#) at info@hopesearch.org. As always, it is a joy and privilege to lift you up in prayer.

We have been overwhelmed by your support of Hope Church during this time. Your encouragement, prayer, connectedness, love, and giving have been amazing! Keep it up! Speaking of giving, in addition to the ways mentioned in previous letters, **the Zelle payment app is now another option to use for your tithes/offerings**. It's as easy as going into the Zelle app, typing in Hope's Finance email (hopechurchlgfinance@gmail.com), type in the amount, and hit "send". Easy-peasy!

In closing, think on these words from renowned pastor and author A.W. Tozer: "Keep a Christian from entering the sanctuary and you have not in the least bit hindered his worship. We carry our sanctuary with us. We never leave it." How true this is during this time of physical distancing!

Yours in Christ,

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