Holiday Free Methodist Church Living with the Hope, Joy, and Purpose Found Only in Jesus Christ

Why this newsletter?

You know why! The answer is COVID-19. Just as we know God can bring some good out of bad stuff, we've needed a newsletter for a long time. Now we have one! Because so many of our attendees do not have access to email, website, or any online information, we will try to do our best to provide needed information for the HFMC family through this letter.

Drive-Thru Communion Sunday, March 29, 10:30-11:30 AM



Come whenever you want between 10:30-11:30 AM on Sunday morning, March 29. Pastor Leiloni will be the only one touching, preparing, and serving the elements. Take just a few moments to come through for a small time of individual prayer, opportunity to worship through tithes and offerings, and most importantly to spend time celebrating the Lord's Supper. Bring a neighbor with you!

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we live by faith, not by site.

Worship and Events at HFMC

In respect of what the CDC and our nation's leaders have requested, Holiday FMC meeting and activity schedule includes many cancelations.

- Regular Sunday Worship Services canceled through Easter, April 12. We will NOT have our annual breakfast or the 9:15 small group.
- Wednesday Bible Study canceled until May 1.
- Ladies Outreach Group canceled until May 8.

Any activity that involves any type of eating is canceled through April.

- Café closed until further notice.
- Monthly Family Dinners canceled until further notice.

Financial Need

Just because we are not allowed to join in big groups in our buildings, it doesn't mean the bills stop. We count on about \$6,000 every month to pay our regular bills. Please remember that the church counts on your tithes and offerings. Feel free to send your giving to the church address or directly to:

> Judy Kuhn, HFMC Treasurer 11232 Versailles Ln. Port Richey, FL 34668

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Note from Pastor Leiloni

Wow, these are crazy times! Apparently, our focus on Faith this year came at just the right time. Our church verse for 2020, "We walk by faith, not by site" from 2 Corinthians 5:7, makes a lot of sense right now. For many, this time brings nervousness, anxiety and fear. This is normal. What is also normal is that the people of God don't let this fear, anxiety, and nervousness overtake their lives. Our God is so much greater than any virus. God created this world and can take care of this pesky thing, too. We also know that God does not call us to be blindly ignorant about what is going on around us.

2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power, love, and sound judgment.

Please, take care of yourself and your neighbors. This is the perfect time for the church to be the church. Show love to those around you. Help where you can. There will be many who need hope, childcare, assistance with bills and food. Do what you can. Remember that the One you serve is in control. Observe the rules given to us, observe social distancing, only go out when you need to. When you do go out, see if someone needs you to pick up something for them and drop it on the porch! There's so much we can do. Look for opportunities to show love and share Jesus!

I am praying for each of you daily. I am available to talk on the phone, text, email, or even visit you if you're not afraid of me \bigcirc .

Blessings,

Pastor Leiloni

Socially Distanced Bible Study

Meeting in a building should not stop us from true worship and learning more about living with the hope, joy, and purpose found only in Jesus Christ. Use this study to guide you through your "at home church time".

For each of the following readings, answer these questions. There are 5 passages.

- 1. Write a summary of this passage in your own words.
- 2. What does this passage say to you?
- 3. How can you use this passage to encourage others?

Readings:

Mark 4:1-20 2 Timothy 1:1-12 Matthew 6:25-34 Isaiah 41:9-10 1 Peter 5:1-10

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13