



Greetings Glen Meadows family,

As you are aware, we have been monitoring the current COVID-19 crisis closely. Over the past few days some things have changed.

SAISD has extended school closures through the beginning of May. In addition, we are seeing social gathering policies, business closures, and essential/non-essential classifications changing on Federal, State, and local community levels daily. These decisions have led us to the following conclusion.

In compliance with federal, state and local mandates, **Glen Meadows will continue LIVE stream through April 30th.** Early on our decisions were made with our most vulnerable people in mind. We continue to make every effort to safeguard the health and well being of our Glen Meadows family and remain committed to staying the course until we all re-unite together again.

Since the beginning of the virus we have seen and heard of many **CELEBRATIONS** with people connecting, encouraging, and caring for one another. **Sunday School classes and LIFE Groups** continue to meet (via group video apps) together in lieu of challenging circumstances. **LIVE Streaming** has made services available for the Church body to continue to worship together. **LIFE Group by Zoom** is available for those who need to find extra connections during this time. **Communication updates** continue to go out by email, social media, web, and E-Ministry. Most importantly, **God** remains on the throne and in control of all things at all times and for that we give all glory and praise to Him!

With so much going on you may be wondering how we can stay connected, below are some suggestions.

1. Start each day off **POWER-Fully**. With the usual hustle and bustle of everyday life coming to a crawl, we have the opportunity to spend our time focusing on our relationship with God and others.
  - Begin your day with **Prayer** by nurturing and developing vibrant prayer habits during this time. Tune in to our **Sunday evening LIVE Stream with Pastor Mack** as he continues an in depth look at the Lords Prayer. Now is when God's people step up and pray for our nation and the world during these times.
  - Choose to live out your walk **Obediently**. We have an opportunity to demonstrate to all around us what it means to reflect our Christian walk by submitting to our authorities, encouraging one another daily, and being a positive light to those we encounter by living faithfully not fearfully.
  - Apply God's **Word** to your lives during these tough times. God did not give us a spirit of fear. He calls us to trust in Him for daily provisions. God says He is in control of all things. Through God's Word, let's point to Him as the solution by joyfully demonstrating confidence in His divine providence. God is bigger than any virus.
  - **Exalt** the Father in all circumstances at all times. Even though we are experiencing terrible and troubling times we must remember God's character and nature does not change. That's right, He is still God, perfect, loving, sovereign, Holy, compassionate, merciful, the King of Kings, Lord of Lords, and so much more..... the more we focus on Him the less we will fear during these times. God is good!!
  - Continue to invest in your **Relationship** with God, your families, and others. Check in on one another, make sure the needs of those in your lives are being met. Be the Church by pursuing relationship and serving one another.
  - Let's live our lives **Fully** dependent on the Holy Spirit. Ask God each day to reveal to you His purpose and His plan, then act accordingly. If we allow ourselves to accomplish His game plan each day, we will see amazing celebrations to follow.
  
2. **Share your celebrations with us** so that we can encourage others. You can e-mail your celebrations and words of encouragement to [life@gmbc.org](mailto:life@gmbc.org). If you have any photo's to accompany your testimony please attach those as well.

- 3. Join with Pastor Mack** as he delivers a 21 day devotional series that will inspire us and lead us into a deeper relationship with God and our families. Details on this fabulous opportunity we be coming shortly.

You can catch up with any of Pastor Macks sermons through our Glen Meadows Church app or online at [gmbc.org](http://gmbc.org).

Giving is also available through the app or online as well. Any questions on giving please contact [pam@gmbc.org](mailto:pam@gmbc.org).

**\*\*Joy School will remain closed though April 30th.**

**\*\*Any other cancellations of weekly activities will be determined at the beginning of the week, so please continue to check for updates on our website, by email, and on social media.**

Thank you Glen Meadows for your constant love and care for the hurting, sick, and broken. Together we will witness God's name being glorified among all people. Let's continue to "wash the feet" of everyone around us daily and trust God for His love and provision at all times.

*Matthew 6:33-34*

*"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you. Therefore don't worry about tomorrow, because tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."*

To Him who is able,  
Glen Meadows Staff