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**From the Pastor**

Most of my life has been spent in small towns surrounded by farms. Although it didn't happen every year, it was not unusual to get a late hail storm that would wipe out some of the crops. The easy thing for the farmer to do would be to collect on the crop insurance, sell the farm, and move on to something else. Most of the time, however, the farmer would either try to salvage what was left or replant.

Covid-19, social injustice, and economic turmoil has been a "hail storm" that has wiped out many businesses, churches, and even lives. As churches begin to regather they are faced with some challenges. There is a segment of the population that is checking out of church life. Some, for good reason, are trying to protect an already vulnerable health condition. But some have stopped going because of fear. Others have stopped attending because not going to church has become their new normal. They have gotten out of the discipline, and it is just easier to stay home. Congregations can decide to either fold up and quit (sell the farm), try to salvage what is left, or replant.

What will Scotsdale do? We will work to salvage and replant, but we will NOT quit! Right now while we are getting the field ready the Lord has allowed us to plant some seed, and we have already seen some signs of a harvest (guests visiting, and one salvation). Galatians 6:9-10 is appropriate—"Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary." <sup>10</sup> So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith." Let's regroup, roll up our sleeves, and go to work!

*Patrick Siz*

Join us in person Sunday mornings in the Worship Center for service at 9:30am. Families are welcome. We are not able to provide any childcare at this time. Remember to bring your mask and use the hand sanitizer at the Welcome Center before entering the Worship Center. For a Live Viewing experience, join us on Facebook at 9:30am sharp where you can comment and react with others as the video airs. You won't be able to pause, rewind, or fast forward the video until it has ended and posted permanently to the Facebook page. Download the sermon notes from our website: <http://sbcep.org/sunday-services/>. Let us know you joined today by filling out the attendance form: <https://bit.ly/scbep-attend>. If there is an issue with the Facebook video, you can find this video in the Youtube Playlist: <https://bit.ly/sbcytss>. Need to send your tithe or offering? You can do that here: <http://bit.ly/ScotsdaleGive>. Is Jesus Christ your Lord and Savior? If you're not sure, please check this out: <http://sbcep.org/about-us/will-you-go-to-heaven/>. We highly recommend that you visit the above links before Sunday morning so you can be familiar with how it all works. If you have any technological issues or difficulties please send us an email at [scotsdalebaptistchurch@gmail.com](mailto:scotsdalebaptistchurch@gmail.com). For Sunday school classes, several teachers are finding ways to meet online. Please contact your teacher if you haven't heard any plans for Sunday school classes yet.

**Message from your Deacon Body:**

**Pastoral Needs:**


As needs arise for members of the church, we want to do what we can as a church to support one another. If you are experiencing loneliness or have or know of a pastoral care need, please call the church office at 915-595-2811. Please note that our limited resources will primarily serve members of Scotsdale Baptist Church. Also, we will support any and all prayer requests.

**Senior Saints Who Are Not Widows/Widowers:**

The Deacon Body is on-call for the needs of the senior members, including couples, who do not fit the category as Widows/Widowers. If you have a special need or wish to talk, the Deacons want to help you in any way possible. Please contact Frank below if you have any need for assistance or have any questions whatsoever.

**Widows/Widowers:**

Widows and widowers should contact their assigned Deacon for any help needed. If you don't know who your Deacon is, please call Frank Robbins, the Deacon Chair, day or night at 915-478-8991 for assistance. The Deacon Ministry is here to support the church body. Please let us know how we can help you.



Parents if you would like to receive the summer bible lessons and activity pages and have not signed up, please contact **Grace Taylor** at the office so she can help set you up. This is a great tool for you to use with the kids to teach them to study God's word.



Parents & Kids!! We are excited to announce that we will have "BOLT" a Virtual Vacation Bible School (VBS) age appropriate for ages 5 years to 85. Your family will participate at home in fun games that illustrate what it means to listen to, focus on, and follow Jesus. It's 3 days full of fun! If you feel comfortable gathering with more people, share this with your neighbors, friends, family and invite them to join you. It's all happening during the week of July 14th -16th. Every family that completes the 3 days will receive a fun gift. To register contact Grace Taylor so she can get you signed up at 595-2811.



**MEN'S MEETING** Men's meeting, Saturday June 27, 2020 from 9-11am in the CLC. Lunch will be provided following the meeting. All men, any ages, are welcome to join us.