

Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church

"Where the love of Christ is... Solid as a Rock!"

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To: SRMBC Congregation & Friends

Re: SRMBC Updated Coronavirus Health & Safety Procedures (4/1/2020)

The leadership of Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church (SRMBC has been monitoring the rapidly changing events regarding the spread of the coronavirus in our area. In an effort to inform SRMBC members and friends of our continued efforts to ensure the health and safety of our congregation, we have made the following updates to our Health & Safety procedures:

CURRENT STATUS & PROCEDURES

- As of 8:00 pm 4/1/2020 The Governor of PA has issued a mandatory stay at home order for residents of every county in the Commonwealth. This is in addition to the shutdown of all non-essential businesses and organizations for the foreseeable future.
- Additionally, residents of PA are encouraged to adhere to the current social distancing policy (6 -feet) and to avoid gathering in groups of over 10 persons.
- To date, there are still NO reported cases of the coronavirus infection among our church staff or congregation.
- While churches and religious institutions are exempt from the stay at home order, SRMBC will continue to comply with limiting our meetings and adhering to the current social distancing guidelines.
- SRMBC has instructed our Trustees to make an extra effort to clean our sanctuary, classrooms and restrooms prior to our return to weekly worship services

UPGRADED PROTOCOL & MEASURES

- All scheduled ministry meetings are still cancelled. In lieu of meeting at the church, Ministry Leaders are encouraged to use the Church Conference Call No. Please coordinate with the Church Secretary, Deaconess Virginia Mickens to schedule dates and times.
- Sunday School is still cancelled until further notice. Mid Week Bible Study is scheduled to resume online via *Facebook Live on 4/15/2020 @ 7:00 pm.*
- SRMBC will continue stream Sunday Morning Worship services <u>@ 10:00 am</u> via Facebook live-streaming https://www.facebook.com/pg/solidrock717 (*The church will be closed for on-site attendance*).

- Since SRMBC believes that the *Lord's Supper/Communion* is a congregational ordinance (cf. I Cor. 11:23 26, 33), we will wait until we are able to physically gather again in order that we may celebrate the Supper where everyone can participate.
- SRMBC members are also encouraged to subscribe to the *SRMBC YouTube Channel* (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8SA12TepIxNfuVUY6IFGuA) to view re-broadcasts of Worship Services, Bible Studies and Special Announcements.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- We ask that you continue to take the necessary health precautions and contact your doctor for advisement.
- We ask that you thoroughly wash your hands for twenty seconds using disinfectant soap in all settings.
- We ask that you limit your coughs to within the elbow and sleeve space of the arm to reduce the spread of potential bacteria in all settings.
- We ask that you visit the website of The PA Dept of Health for further prevention measures you can take to protect you and your family: https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx. Additional resources can also be obtained from the Center of Disease Control (CDC)
 https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- PRAY for our world, our leaders, and health professionals, as well as the most vulnerable among us.
- SHARE this information with other SRMBC members.
- LOOK for regular church updates as usual via SRMBC email, website, **YouTube Channel** and Facebook page.
- **CONTINUE TO REGULARLY SUPPORT SRMBC FINANCIALLY** through your consistent giving of tithes and offering. For your convenience there are 3 options for giving:

By Mail	Online	Cash App
Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church	Church Website	Download the App:
8000 Derry Street (Suites C & G)	www.solidrockhbg.com	Google Play/Apple App Store
Attn: Finance Ministry		SRMBC ID: \$THEROCKPAY
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These measures will enable us to keep the Worship of God and the health of our members as the highest priority. If you have any additional questions, suggestions or concerns, please contact your Family Deacon or send an email to <u>solidrockmbc717@gmail.com</u>. Again, please pay attention to your email and text messages for the most current updates. Above all, continue to pray and put your trust in the Lord – who has not and will never fail. "I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord... (Psalm 121:1 NKIV)

In His Service,

Thomas A. Keys

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