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Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church Reopening Guidelines

Dear Friends, Brothers and Sisters, and JHBC Family,

From the governor's most recent guidance with regard to lifting gathering restrictions, it appears that the earliest we will be able to open JHBC is the 24th of May. We expect further guidance in the next few days.

Regardless of the exact day, it is important that we prepare for the reopening the church. Kenny Lamm has been kind to forward excellent articles from Christianity Today and the Georgia and North Carolina Baptist State Conventions with regard to their recommendations. Below you will find how we have adapted these examples as guidelines for our church. All of these guidelines are in accordance with state and national instructions.

These recommendations may seem burdensome, but if they would prevent some of our church members becoming sick, or dying, they would be more than worth it. We have had two confirmed COVID-19 cases in the congregation and we want not no more.

Let me say first, **if you have any doubts about returning to church, especially if you have a pre-existing condition, stay home** and continue to participate in our services through the radio or online.

PREPARING THE FACILITY

• Sanitize

- * The cleaning team has continued to clean the church during this period of isolation. In addition to their efforts, volunteers will remain for a few minutes after church services to sanitize the top of pews in the sanctuary, door handles, faucet handles, and light switches. Masks, gloves and cleaning supplies will be provided for these volunteers.
- * Please help us by leaving no paper, wrappers, tissues, etc. after the service.

• Fellowship / Greetings

- * Signs will be posted around the church reminding all to not shake hands and greet one another at an appropriate distance. Ushers and First Impressions will use appropriate social distancing.

• Offer Sanitizer

- * Richard Sistrunk has obtained six additional sanitizing stations which will be placed throughout the facility.

WORSHIP SERVICE

• Social Distancing

- * We will tape off every other pew and encourage social distancing between families on a pew.
- * Once the number of people in the sanctuary (approximately 100) is exceeded, members will be asked to go to the fellowship hall where the service will be shown on a large screen. Please maintain social distancing in McDowell Hall.

• Sunday School

- * We will hold off on Sunday school for at least two weeks after church opens. At that time, please encourage social distancing within classrooms.

• Sunday and Wednesday Evening Services

- * We will continue to hold Wednesday evening services on line for 2-4 more weeks. Once we have more clarity of the effect of lifting restrictions, we will make a decision with regard to evening services within the church.

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church Reopening Guidelines (Continued)

WORSHIP SERVICE (continued)

- **Instructional Video**
 - * A video will be posted on line of what to expect when we return to church.
- **Offering**
 - * Offering boxes will be provided in the front foyer and outside the sanctuary with ushers standing by.
 - * We continue to encourage online giving, as well.
- **Lord's Supper**
 - * We will use prepackaged communion sets for June 7th 2020. Individual sets have already been purchased.
- **Masks**
 - * We encourage all to feel free to wear masks.
 - * A mask will be provided to those that do not have one.
- **Choirs**
 - * We will hold off on choir rehearsals and inclusion in the worship service for at least four weeks.
 - * We hope to use soloists, trios or quartets to ease back into more normal services.
- **Bulletins**
 - * We will not distribute bulletins, other than what is posted electronically. After two weeks bulletins will be positioned throughout the church, but not handed out.
- **Meet-and-Greet Time**
 - * Eliminated until further notice.
- **Hymnals and Pew Bibles**
 - * Please do not use them for four weeks. The current musical template will continue to include hymns.
- **Dismiss by Pews**
 - * Similar to the way people depart after a wedding, we will dismiss the church by pew to avoid people grouping together. We also encourage people not to congregate in the hallways or parking lots.

PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN

- **Toys**
 - * We will eliminate toy boxes and an overabundance of toys. We will bring out only the amount of toys that volunteers are willing to clean at the end of the session.
- **Take Temperatures**
 - * Children and nursery workers will identify a single drop off and pick up point. A 'no touch thermometer' will be used to perform temperature checks on children and leaders before being allowed in preschool or children's classrooms. **If a child or worker is identified as having a temperature, the entire family will be asked to return home.**
- **Drop-off and Pick-up**
 - * **Only one parent will be allowed to drop off and pick up children.** Children's workers will be provided with masks to use at their discretion.

Again, I understand that these guidelines may seem strenuous but as the expression goes, '*an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!*' Our great desire is to be together again, to worship and praise and fellowship – but do it as safely as possible for as long as we can!

God Bless You and Yours!

Pastor Cal

Worship Notes from our Associate Pastor of Music, Scott Davis

I recently watched a short video recorded at the 2017 Sing! Conference held in Nashville. It's a church music conference sponsored and driven by Keith and Kristyn Getty, authors of the well-known song "In Christ Alone". The speaker was Paul David Tripp, author/speaker and former church pastor. He was focusing on the conference theme and taking his cue from a passage you are likely familiar with that talks about singing.

Col. 3:16 - Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

In this passage, the apostle Paul has been offering up instructions for living the Christian life. The editorial heading my Bible has for this section is "Living as Those Made Alive in Christ". Dr. Tripp makes a point to say that this passage not only gives the instruction to 'let the message of Christ dwell among you richly', but **how** you are to go about passing it on. And that is by singing.

All of a sudden, I get this picture in my mind of a Broadway musical where there is no speaking, only singing. And as I enter my home and greet my wife, Ann, I do so in song, right arm extended, left arm crossed over my chest, "I'm home again! So nice to see you! I hope your day was well!" Okay, that was a little silly.

He goes on to state something I can very much agree with. "The song that rules our heart will set the agenda for our lives." I believe there is an underlying melody that functions like a soundtrack for our life. Sometimes it's upbeat and joyful, while at other times solemn and grave.

That made me wonder, if my life was a movie, what would the soundtrack sound like? I thought about all the different parts of my life. Would it take a different song to support each one of them? If so, my song list could look something like this: (feel free to sing along)

Work - "Heigh-ho, heigh-ho, it's off to work to I go" - *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*
Competition - "Eye of the Tiger" - theme from *Rocky*
Play - "Fun, Fun, Fun" by the Beach Boys
Travel - "I've Been Everywhere" by Johnny Cash
Serving others - "Do Something" by Matthew West
Family - "We are family!" - Sister Sledge

I also know that I'd prefer to have one song that was predominate, so my life story wasn't just a series of ups and downs due to whatever circumstances I was dealing with at the time. I want the 'message of Christ' to fill up and be the overflow of my life, so that whatever I was doing, that song was playing. When I'm with my family or leading worship, eating in a restaurant or working at home, that same song is playing. For me, that song could be "Who You Say I Am" by Hillsong, with themes from Psalm 8, 139, John 8, and Luke 15.

"Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?

I was lost, but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me!

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.

I'm a child of God, yes, I am!"

This is the message of Christ in me. May I sing it boldly and frequently!

DEACON'S CORNER

Submitted by Bill Davis

Due to the Coronavirus, the fellowship of Deacons did not meet in May.

We pray that our Church Family will be together soon.

During this unprecedented season of quarantine due to the coronavirus, as our normal routines have drastically changed, we can either fill our days with mindless activities and the latest news headlines, or we can open the Scriptures and find comforting truths to guide us through this uncertain time.

As Psalm 119:11 reminds us, *"I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against you."* And the truth is, we need the Word of the Lord far more than we need the news of the world.

This quarantine is no surprise to God. And maybe, just maybe, He is allowing this season of uncertainty so that we will re-center our lives on His will, His way, and His Word.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2020 GRADUATES

Daniel Desjarlais - Lee Christian School

Dakota Johnson - Lee Christian School

Christopher Martinez
Southern Lee High School

Gabrielle Stone - Lee Christian School

Marlon Vargas - Southern Lee High School

We Are So Proud of You!

MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF
DANE BRETT

(grandson of Jeanette Al-Habib)
To the Baptist Children's Homes of NC
> By An Anonymous Donor

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SISTER PEGGY RUSSELL

(sister of Joe Russell)
To the Powell River Association "Shoe Fund"
> By Wanda and Andy Howard

IN MEMORY OF
DORIS SANDERS

(sister of Avron Upchurch)
To the Benevolence Fund
> By Tony and Agnes Kelly

IN MEMORY OF
JAMES TOLLIVER

To the Tolliver Scholarship Fund
> By Daphine Tolliver

IN MEMORY OF
DAVID WILLETT

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IN HONOR OF
AARON & SHPRESA SMITH

To the Operation Mobilization Fund
> By An Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF
SYLVIA THOMAS

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JUNE 2 - Connor Davidson & Ann Wester

JUNE 4
Linda Hall, Juanita Neal & Connor Stone

JUNE 5 - Sandy Sayles

JUNE 6 - Lauren Ferrara & Chloe Graham

JUNE 8 - Eunice Fletcher & Tyra Harding

JUNE 9 - Kamden Griffin

JUNE 10 - Ashley Laton

JUNE 11 - John Hall

JUNE 12 - David Oates

JUNE 13
Evelyn Martinez & John Henry Rice

JUNE 12 - David Oates

JUNE 14 - Dock Batchelor & Ken Martin

JUNE 15 - Genease Fields

JUNE 17 - Sandra Bowen

JUNE 19 - Dallas Harper

JUNE 20 - Frank Malloch

JUNE 25 - Andy Keye & Vicky Matthews

JUNE 26 - William Earl May

JUNE 27 - Kelley Desjarlais

JUNE 28 - Joy Scott

JUNE 29 - Marcia Johnson & Ben Wood

JUNE 30 - Chase Bowling & Luke Pilson

The AWANA 2019-2020 Year Has Been Completed

Awana awards will be handed out sometime during the 2020 Vacation Bible School. We will keep you informed of the date and time.

Calling all Awana Leaders! The Nominating Committee needs a list of leaders for the next year for the Awana Ministry! We would like to expand our groups for next year because some are so full! All our groups were at the highest number in a classroom that I would like to have. We would need two (2) more teachers in each age group.

The age groups are: **Cubbies**—age 3-4 (following the school age cut off), **Sparks** - grades K-2nd, and **T&T** - grades 3rd-5th. Please contact Sandy or Pastor Cal Sayles if you are willing to serve in this important ministry to children.

Thank you for your loving service to the boys and girls at JHBC!

News from J. Glenn Edwards Elementary School

The books in the vending machine, which range in reading levels from kindergarten to fifth grade are available for FREE. The books are used and mostly donated by us Jonesboro Height Baptist Church. We have been giving books to the school for a while. Joy Berryman and I started collecting books for reading projects at JGE. "Literacy is a major goal and focus area for JGE. They are hoping the new vending machine will help spark some enthusiasm for reading." With permission from their teacher, students simply key in the code for the book they want. It drops down in the normal vending process. The books in the vending machine are replenished on a regular basis. The students can have the books, return the books... there are no rules, except READ. Please continue to bring your used books to the Mission Depo - JGE boxes (under the steps in the educational building). Thank you for caring, sharing and loving to see our children **READING**.

Sandy Brown – Mission & Outreach



THANK YOU NOTES

Dear JHBC Church Family,

As a former member of JHBC - and the lesson for this week—I just wanted to tell you how much I appreciated the time we were there. I miss all the ladies from my Sunday school class—taught by Sylvia Howard and Jean.

*I love you all,
Mattie Wilson*

Dear JHBC,

On behalf of CUOC Board of Directors, we want to thank you for your recent monetary donation. Your generous gift has helped CUOC in funding it's Food Assistance Program, Back-pack Pals. Thanks again, and God bless,

*Sincerely,
Christians United Outreach Center*

Dear JHBC,

Thank you for all the wonderful ways you support CCSA and Chowan Campus Ministry. Thank you for supporting our students. You give them the opportunity to learn and serve in Jesus' name.

Chowan Campus Ministry

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

Thank you very much for your recent monetary donation to Family Promise of Lee County. Your donation has been a great help to families in the program as they strive to find stable safe housing.

*Thank you,
Tamara Brogan, Executive Director*

Fellow Christians,

Outreach Mission would like to thank you for your generous donation made during the first quarter of this year.

*God Bless,
Claire Hunt, Corresponding Secretary*

Dear Friends at JHBC,

On behalf of the patients at North Carolina Baptist Hospital/Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, I want to thank you for your monetary gift to our Mother's Day Offering/Benevolent Fund. Thank you for your life-changing gift and may God bless your church and its ministry.

*Rev. Leland A. Kerr
Baptist Healthcare Liaison*

March 2020 Newsletter

Hey everyone!

Just wanted to update you a little bit from our side of the world! Hope you are all doing well! Our little family is doing well. We are quarantined at home for some time now, and this week too we have lockdown in the entire country, with curfew hours to help prevent the quick spread of the virus. We, as probably most of you, don't know how long this all is going to last so for now we are just at home.

As with the rest of the world, we too are being quite impacted by the spread of the Coronavirus. The virus is spreading here in Kosovo too and we have over 70 cases confirmed, with numbers being added to it each day. We have one (1) person that died due to the virus and a handful so far being treated with oxygen therapy. Kosovo's health system is not good. We have one central national hospital to treat patients for the whole country and there is only just over 100 respirators in the entire country and lack of other medical equipment, to add to that, lack of doctors too. So treating the virus here will be quite a challenge if the numbers keep growing rapidly.

On top of all this, our new government after just two months, fell here two days ago (for various political reasons). The government was overthrown by a vote in the parliament, exactly now during the crisis of the pandemic, when the people here need stable leaders. This all has just added to the fear, stress and hopelessness of situation impacting everyone, our health and sadly our already weak economy.

We are sure everywhere, where you are too, fear is the unwanted guest try to move in among all people. But we don't want to give in to fear, because we serve one amazing, good God who is in full control and knew long ago what was going to happen in the world now and He will use all this to accomplish His plans for His Kingdom!

Most of our ministry projects for this year have been canceled because of the virus and uncertainty of future travel, so we are in some ways a little bit shocked about how to move forward, but then we know this is a great time to slow down and look at the most important things. We realize God's sovereignty and that He doesn't really need any of us to do what He wants to do in the world or in His Kingdom, so every opportunity we have to serve our King, should be really treasured and considered a special privilege to serve Him. It's a humbling time to remember how small and powerless we are and that we serve a great and powerful God.

We are joining with the rest of the global church in praying for this virus to be gone quickly and for a cure to be found to treat the sick, and mostly for God to have mercy and grace upon us all. We can't do it without His mercy!

We understand that a lot will change in the world because of the impact of this pandemic, but we pray that we as His church would have the wisdom to know how to move forward and bring His Gospel to all people in such desperate times.

We are praying for you all as well. That in this time of lots of uncertainty, you would find confidence and certainty in our Unchanging God! And that as you spend time at home, that you would be thinking and reflecting on the beauty of our Lord!



Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 191

Famous Men of the Old Testament

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T	A	U	H	S	O	J	S	L	J	J	O	N	A	H

AARON	JACOB
ABEL	JEREMIAH
ABNER	JOB
ABRAHAM	JONAH
ADAM	JOSEPH
BAALAM	JOSHUA
CAIN	JUDAH
CALEB	LEVI
CYRUS	LOT
DANIEL	MORDECAI
DARIUS	MOSES
DAVID	NATHAN
ELIJAH	NEHEMIAH
ELISHA	NOAH
ENOCH	SAMSON
EZEKIEL	SAMUEL
GIDEON	SAUL
GOLIATH	SHADRACH
ISAAC	SHEM
ISAIAH	SOLOMON
ISHMAEL	SIMEON

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

Psalm 35

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IN HONOR OF FATHER'S DAY

BIBLE VERSES ABOUT OUR HEAVENLY FATHER

Deuteronomy 32:6 - *Is this the way you repay the Lord, O foolish and unwise people? Is he not your Father, your Creator, who made you and formed you?*

Psalms 103:13 - *As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;*

Proverbs 3:11 & 12 - *My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline and do not resent his rebuke, because the Lord disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.*

Proverbs 14:26 - *He who fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for his children it will be a refuge.*

Proverbs 22:6 - *Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.*

Isaiah 64:8 - *Yet, O Lord, you are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.*

Matthew 7:9-11 - *"Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"*

Romans 8:14-16 - *Because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.*

II Corinthians 6:18 - *"I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."*

Ephesians 6:4 - *Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. in a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.*

Colossians 3:21 - *Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.*

James 1:17 - *Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.*

I John 3:1 - *How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!*

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
April 2020

Accounts

Assets

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	\$33,246.90
Building Fund	\$100.00
Designated/Restricted Funds	\$84,806.60
Facilities Funds	\$59,142.37
Total Checking/Savings	\$177,295.87

Sales Taxes to be Reimbursed	\$12,631.79
Investments/Endowments	\$651,504.16
Total Current Assets	\$841,431.82

Fixed Assets	\$3,098,522.97
Contra Asset Account	(\$3,131.24)
Total Assets	\$3,936,823.55

Current credit card receipts not paid/reconciled

Liabilities

Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	(\$16,065.44)
Facilities	\$2,655.00
Mortgage Payable	
2500000 - Credit Line	\$193,745.26
Total Mortgage Payable	\$193,745.26
Total Current Liabilities	\$193,745.26
Total Liabilities	\$180,267.15

Total facilities security deposits

Equity

Unrestricted	
3000000 - Unrestricted Net Assets (Fund Principal Closing Account)	\$3,716,275.77
Unrestricted this year (Revenues minus Expenses)	\$18,632.62
Total Unrestricted	\$3,734,908.39
Temporarily Restricted (sum of all Designated/Special accounts)	\$22,367.95
Total Equity	\$3,757,276.34
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$3,937,543.49

Used by ACS as Fund Principal closing account
Total revenue minus expenses for the year

Income	April 2020	\$35,949.48
Expenses	April 2020	\$43,746.89
Net		(\$7,797.41)

General Fund	2019-2020	Total GF Income	\$400,503.94
	2019-2020	Total Expenses	\$363,133.23
	2019-2020	Net 2019-2020	\$37,370.71

JHBC - JUNE 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 6:30 PM Deacons Meeting (Main Conference Room)	2 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 10:00 AM Benevolence Interviews	3 10:30 PM Staff Mtg	4 2 PM Pearl Johnson	5 Office Closed	6
7 9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship Service with Lord's Supper 6 PM Discipleship	8 12:00 PM Marjorie Spence/Brown Bag 6:30 PM Building & Grounds (Main Conference Room)	9 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 1 PM Virginia Oliver 6 PM Band Practice (Sanctuary) 7 PM WISH (Library)	10 10:30 AM Staff Mtg	11	12 Office Closed	13
14 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 6 PM Discipleship/Worship	15 9:00 AM Announcer Articles due to Marva Lee 15th of the month	16 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting	17 10:30 AM Staff Mtg	18	19 Office Closed	20
21 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 6 PM Discipleship	22 6:30 PM Baptist Men	23 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 6 PM Band Practice (Sanctuary)	24 2:00 PM Staff Mtg	25	26 Office Closed	27 9:30 AM New to the Community Visits (Biscuitville)
28 9:30 AM Starting Point (New Guests Class) 9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship Service 6 PM Discipleship	29	30 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting	1	2	3	4

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RETURN SERVICE REQUEST



Services may be cancelled due to COVID-19

GREETERS

Parking Lot - Tommy Matthews
Door 2 - Donna Rouse
Welcome Desk - Vicky Matthews

LOCKING & SECURITY

June 7 - Curt Brown
June 14 - Tommie Angel
June 21 - Tommy Matthews
June 28 - Ronnie Rouse



Sunday, May 3, 2020

All Services and Activities Cancelled

Sunday, May 10, 2020

All Services and Activities Cancelled

Sunday, May 17, 2020

All Services and Activities Cancelled

Sunday, May 24, 2020

All Services and Activities Cancelled