COVID 19 Update for August

MBC is back open for business!!!

While COVID remains an issue for our state, we also know that MBC is #BetterTogether! Therefore, MBC has resumed meeting in-person. However, our biggest challenge right now is how to handle our Children's Ministry. Even schools have realized the challenges children have wearing masks and practicing social distancing, and they have delayed their in-person instruction.

However, we feel like with some small concessions from the congregation, we can meet safely, which is why we are requiring attendees to wear masks upon entering the building until seated. People attending should use hand sanitizer upon arriving in the building, and as always, if you feel sick, please stay home and worship by viewing the live-stream on our YouTube channel. Masks also need to be worn upon leaving your seat and until leaving the building. Thank you for helping us honor the governor's COVID mandates by following these instructions.

These challenges have encouraged us to be more creative as a staff team. To meet the needs of our congregation, we have decided to offer two options for worship:

10am Family Service—This service is intended for those with small children. This service will take place in the Senior High School room to provide ample space for social distancing. Those who wish to attend should park in the back of the building (East childcare entrance). This service is "family-style" and people can bring blankets for children to sit on. There will also be a limited number of chairs for adults. Zeke will lead the worship, and the message, while abbreviated, will be delivered live.

10:30am Main Service—This service will be in the main sanctuary and people attending should park in the front of the building. People should still wear masks upon entering the building and until seated. Families and those who arrive together should sit together (there will be no youth section at this time). Ryan Clark and the worship team will lead the music.

Please contact the church office by emailing <u>info@midlothianbible.org</u> or calling (972-723-0002) if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing you on Sundays, and we thank you for remaining gracious with us as we navigate these uncharted times with you.

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