

SPANISH MINISTRY

Tomo esta oportunidad para saludar al Pueblo de Dios, aquí en Horizon City, TX. Saludos para todos los Santos **"Gloria y Paz a vosotros"**.

Les deseo salud a todos en su hogar, y manténganse en oración al Altísimo... Les comparto un pequeño devocional:

El Salmo 91 es muy adecuado para estos días durante las dificultades que estamos pasando. Léalo cuidadosamente y podrá ver la aplicación de La Palabra de Dios (de ese salmo), a su vida diaria hoy. No debemos tener miedo a la peste destructora, ni a las trampas del cazador (mire al Salmo 124:7). En cambio nuestro refugio y morada, esta en El Señor, además Él va a dar órdenes a sus ángeles para que lo cuiden a Ud., en todo momento de peligro; (Satanás cito el versículo 12 en la tentación de Jesús (Mateo 4:6). La voz de Dios responde al salmista y declara en repetidas formas como va a protegerlo. De la misma manera Dios te protegerá porque te ama y conoce tu nombre. La idea es que el salmista tiene una relación íntima con El Señor y por eso su vida va a tener la seguridad de Su Presencia y Bendición. Y el salmo termina prometiéndole una larga vida y su salvación. Conocer al Señor es vida, y vida eterna... ¿entonces porque temer?

Reflexiona en tu relación con El Señor y fíjate si esta fuerte. Nos toca a nosotros como individuos y seguidores de Jesucristo hacer y mantener esa relación, no solamente firme sino también fortalecida para que nuestra FE no falle en vista de la prueba presente. Continúen en oración, y no se olviden de los de la Familia de Dios. Creo que esta temporada le dará fuerza a nuestra unión en Cristo.

Con amor, les sirve,

Normán Torres.



I take this opportunity to greet the people of God, here in Horizon City, TX. Greetings to all the saints: **"Glory and Peace to you,"**. I wish you all good health in your home. Be safe and stay in prayer to the most High. Permit me to share a small devotional:

Psalm 91 is very suitable for these days during the difficulties that we are going through. Read it carefully

and you will see the application of the word of God (from that psalm) to your daily life today. We should not be afraid of the destructive plague, nor of the hunter's traps (look at Psalm 124:7). Our refuge and dwelling is in the Lord. In addition, He is going to give orders to his angels to take care of you at all times of danger. (Satan quoted verse 12 in the temptation of Jesus, Matthew 4:6. God's voice responds to the psalmist and repeatedly declares how He will protect him. In the same way, God will protect you because He loves you and knows your name. The idea is that the psalmist has an intimate relationship with the LORD and that is why his life will have the assurance of His presence and blessing. And the psalm ends up promising him a long life and his salvation. Knowing the Lord is life and eternal life ... Then, why fear?

Reflect on your relationship with the Lord and see if it is strong. It is up to us as individuals and followers of Jesus Christ to make and maintain that relationship, not only firm but also strengthened, so that our FAITH does not fail in view of the present trial. **"Pray without ceasing"** and do not forget those of the family of God. I believe this season will give strength to our union, to our congregation, to our families and to Christ's church.

In Christ, serving you with love,

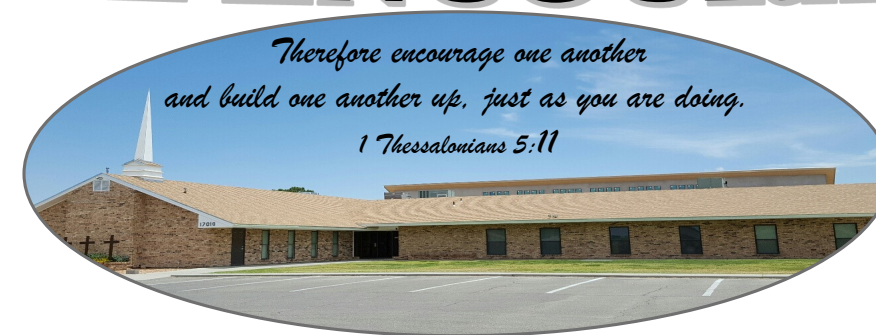
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First Baptist Church of Horizon City

THE ENCOURAGER

*Therefore encourage one another
and build one another up, just as you are doing.
1 Thessalonians 5:11*



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"O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar." Psalm 139:1-2

Every day we get an opportunity to demonstrate whether we really trust God, or whether we only give lip service to Him. This is the start to a wonderful Psalm. Reading it will be an encouragement to you and your family. At a first glance we see that God does know what is going on in our lives. He is aware of our difficulties and struggles, and He desires us to center our lives, our decisions and our conduct on Him and His Truth.

This will be a challenging season for many who may lose their jobs or their businesses. We are feeling that at our church as well. Without our regular services, we don't have a weekly offering, and we do still have expenses, especially the salaries of staff. Please be faithful in giving of your time, your talents and your treasure. We can provide sermons and Bible studies online, and the increase of Bible studies and sermons online during this time is amazing. We can still connect to members who have a need and respond. In many ways, this is a new season of opportunity for

the gospel.

At this point, we do not know how long we will be required to stay away from groups. We certainly intend to be socially responsible and will not return to regular group meetings until it is safe. Once the okay is given, we may still wait another week or two. It is too early to have that discussion. For now, this is the new reality.

We will continue to make adjustments, and it may take us a little bit of time to figure this out. In any case, we are still a church family, and God is still on His throne. We will learn from this and will be better on the other side. Thank you for your prayers! Your prayers matter. Love your family, and encourage those you interact with. May God bless you richly as you follow His leading.

Jesus is LORD,

Pastor Wes



Some Things You Can Do
Pray daily for our nation, our national leaders, health care workers, law enforcement, church and your family.

Have daily devotional times with your family. Read a chapter of Proverbs or Psalms and let each family member share their favorite part.

Listen to worship music on YouTube or K-Love on the radio. If you want to watch a sermon from a local pastor on Sunday, you can let each family member pick a worship song from YouTube and make that a part of your worship.

Stay home. This is important if we want to get past this. The people who refuse to comply will lengthen the problem.

Check up by phone or e-mail with family and friends. Contact the church if there are needs we can help meet.

Let us have your e-mail address. We would like to give

you updated information. Please send it to:

fbchhorizon@sbcglobal.net

Digital Giving

Our church does have a secure, digital giving platform. If you download an app called Tithe.ly, you can give a donation using your smartphone or computer. Once you download the app, please look for First Baptist Church of Horizon City. You will need to provide either checking account information or a debit/credit card. Once this has been done, you can select an amount and donate to the church. There is a small fee for doing this, which cannot be avoided because the government requires it. You can make a choice to pay this amount, in addition to the offering amount, or to have it taken from the offering amount. We will be happy to pay the fee from your offering. If you have questions or need help to do this, please contact our church office at (915) 852-3027.



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Contacting the Church

We are interested in staying in touch with you during this time. If you call the church, you may get the answering machine. This will be checked several times a day. Our staff is working from home when possible, but someone will be checking e-mails and calls a minimum of 2-3 times a day. Here are several ways to reach us:

Phone: (915) 852-3027

E-mail: fbchhorizon@sbcglobal.net

Webpage: www.fbchhorizon.org (sermons, links, calendar and announcements)

Facebook: First Baptist Church Horizon City (for the weekly sermons in English and Spanish and on the webpage) or "fbchc prayer page" (for general announcements and prayer requests)

E-mails

We are trying to build a list of accurate e-mail addresses to help communicate quickly and inexpensively with our members. Our e-mails will go out as a blind carbon copy, meaning that each recipient

will receive the information, but the addresses of the other recipients will be hidden, so your e-mail will not be shared. Since this will be long list of names, it is likely to go to your spam folder. Please take the time to check your spam folder sometime in the next week or so and mark our church so it will not continue to go to spam. Send your e-mail address to fbchhorizon@sbcglobal.net Thanks!

Sermons and Bible Study

Our sermons will be available by going on Facebook to First Baptist Church Horizon City or by going to our webpage: www.fbchhorizon.org In addition to the weekly sermons, Pastor Wes will be offering at least two Bible studies through the Zoom platform. These will probably be hosted on Wednesday morning and Wednesday evening. To participate, you will need an invitation with a link to log into. If you are interested, please e-mail the church indicating which study you would like to join. A link with information will be sent to you. These studies will start on Wednesday, April 1. The morning study will be at 9:30 a.m. and the evening study at 6:30 p.m.

Read Your Bible Through this Year

Apr 1	1 Samuel 18-20	Apr 16	1 Kings 10-11
Apr 2	1 Samuel 21-24	Apr 17	1 Kings 12-14
Apr 3	1 Samuel 25-27	Apr 18	1 Kings 15-17
Apr 4	1 Samuel 28-31	Apr 19	1 Kings 18-20
Apr 5	2 Samuel 1-3	Apr 20	1 Kings 21-22
Apr 6	2 Samuel 4-7	Apr 21	2 Kings 1-3
Apr 7	2 Samuel 8-12	Apr 22	2 Kings 4-5
Apr 8	2 Samuel 13-15	Apr 23	2 Kings 6-8
Apr 9	2 Samuel 16-18	Apr 24	2 Kings 9-11
Apr 10	2 Samuel 19-21	Apr 25	2 Kings 12-14
Apr 11	2 Samuel 22-24	Apr 26	2 Kings 15-17
Apr 12	1 Kings 1-2	Apr 27	2 Kings 18-19
Apr 13	1 Kings 3-5	Apr 28	2 Kings 20-22
Apr 14	1 Kings 6-7	Apr 29	2 Kings 23-25
Apr 15	1 Kings 8-9	Apr 30	1 Chronicles 1-2

Please check the web page for more of the Bible reading schedule.

RightNow Media

Whether you're part of our local church or not, we have a free gift for you! We're excited to share that our church has access to an extensive, new video library called RightNow Media!

It's like the "Netflix of video Bible studies" and has a HUGE library of faith-based videos that you can access whenever and wherever you want—on your phone, tablet, computer, or on your TV at home. You will have FREE access to thousands of video resources to help you with parenting, marriage, discipleship and more. It includes content for all ages and stages of life, and all of your family members are invited to set up their own accounts as well.

Type in this link: <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/FBCHC> and fill out your profile.

Download the RightNow Media app for your smart phone, tablet, Apple TV, Roku, or Amazon Fire TV.

OR, TEXT "RIGHTNOW FBCHORIZON" to 41411 and fill out your profile.



We hope you and your family enjoy this gift from all of us here at First Baptist Church of Horizon City.



Classroom Building

This beautiful addition to our church building is almost complete. While it is still a construction zone, it is just a few steps away from being complete.

We are so excited that it will soon be finished and so



disappointed that we may not be able to use it due to the situation we face with the Corona-virus closing all gathering places.


We covet your prayers for completion of the building and occupancy availability.




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