

Sunday, March 22, 2020

As our country, state and local communities mobilize to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19), our hearts go out to all those who have been affected by this outbreak. We support the policies and guidelines set forth by health and government officials as well as our church leaders.

Certainly, life as we know it has changed rapidly as we shelter in place, practice safe social distancing, adjust to an extraordinary amount of time at home and listen to news reports of the impact of COVID-19 throughout the world. While we adapt to the resulting inconveniences, remember and pray for those who are suffering and those who are wearily working on solutions.

- Please pray for our heroes on the front lines: the dedicated doctors, nurses, technicians, police, fire, EMTs and all other first responders, respiratory therapists and others who risk their lives to attend to those afflicted.
- Please pray for the afflicted that they may have the stamina to overcome this virus. Pray that they may be comforted and provided with appropriate equipment and wise administration of treatment and medicine.
- Please pray for those involved in developing tests, vaccinations, treatments, therapies and cures that their paths may be cleared for swift, appropriate and safe implementation.
- Please pray for our leaders and public policy makers that they may be properly guided and advised for our good and the good of the world.
- Please pray for those affected in other parts of the world that we can work together with trust and wisdom in finding and implementing effective solutions.
- Please pray that we may wisely manage our financial and economic needs.
- Please pray that our food/grocery resources can respond quickly to our needs.

Make Lemonade. This time spent at home allows us the opportunity to fortify ourselves: Eat well, sleep more and stress less. Did you know that within a matter of days of our shelter in place, photos from space show significant reduction of air pollution? So, exercise and spend time outside, breathing fresh air. Garden. Grow some tomatoes or Marigolds. Relate more with your families and catch up with others by phone or correspondence. Thank heavens for our marvelous developments in technology and communication. This is a time to do things we've put on the back burner. Read, clean, organize, renovate and reflect. Train, educate and innovate. Balancing the multiple facets of our lives strengthens our immunities.

Those of us involved in producing events and activities on Temple Hill work very hard to invite you to enjoy wonderful experiences in a beautiful and glorious setting. We love the location and most importantly, we love the peace and comforting spirit of the Lord that resides here. We strive to share high-quality and inspiring talent. For now, we are sad our doors are temporarily closed. We look forward to inviting you back again, as soon as possible. Meanwhile, please be wise, thoughtful and prayerful while we tread through this challenging time.

With love and gratitude for your support, and wishing you safety and good health,

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