

## ***Hope in Jesus Christ***

**Covid 19** - Nearly everyone in the world knows what that description is and likely what it means. All kinds of emotions, thoughts, and responses come with the reports. Some are right in the middle of the fray and some further away but the fact is we are all affected. Nearly everyone knows someone who has actually contracted the virus. Everyone who writes anything, just like this newsletter, is using this as the centerpiece of reports. Here are a few one line thoughts and responses for your meditation on how we as believers can process these events:

**Stability** - Who is it that gives us every breath? God!! Let your faith rest in Him. Spend time thinking on these truths. Psalm 18:2 "The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my mountain where I seek refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold."

**Truth** - Not everything you hear is true. The tendency can be to grab on to every printed word we see. Test what you hear. John 8:32 "You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Literally - JESUS is truth. Know Him.

**Serve** - Not everyone is at the same risk. Seek to serve others, especially those at high risk. Mark 10:43b-45 "Whoever wants to be first among you must be a slave to all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

**Hope** - Hoping for things to return to normal. Let these events shake your life to draw you closer to God. Let these events sharpen your reason. 1 Peter 3:15 "Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you."

## ***What Residents Say!***

**Barry**- *At TLC I have learned that I am truly loved by God. I have experienced healing and relief from the grief of losing parents to cancer.*

**Rolando**- *I am thankful for the new lifestyle I have learned being sober and clear minded.*

**Kevin**- *I praise God everyday for my brothers & staff at TLC and the people out there who support the ministry of TLC and programs like this.*

**Bryce**- *I really honestly believe that I was brought here to TLC to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Austin**- *At TLC I have learned to once again be in relationship with the Lord and life skills to continue to practice outside of here.*

**Brandon**- *At TLC I have learned about the "Good News". I have been able to let go of some of the guilt and anger that brought me to the reckless life I had been living.*

**Joe**- *I never thought I could believe and now here I am a Christian with a whole new outlook on life. I now understand how God loves us and what Jesus gave His life for.*

**Jerry**- *I no longer feel the guilt or blame myself for my sons passing. I am learning to put away bitterness and anger for things I can not control.*

**Hunter**- *Everyday the Lord shows Himself through scripture. Getting closer to Him has helped me and my family come closer together. Best decision I have made in my life.*

## **Finances & Covid** - We obviously missed our fundraiser but God has always provided.

We don't have a lot of extra resources saved back but we have everything we need. We continue doing work projects as they fit in with governmental guidelines. **As always if you have work projects or referrals please contact Mark at 580 227-6059.** We continue to appreciate your prayers, encouragement, and material support.

**Donations** can be made by taking advantage of donation envelopes and mailing to PO Box 88, Fairview, OK 73737, or the "Donate Now" button on our website at **[fairviewtlc.net](http://fairviewtlc.net)**.

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