

The Reminder

APRIL 2020

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Resurrection

the first day

*Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church
600 E. Pennsylvania Avenue
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Where the Hope of Jesus Is Alive

II Corinthians 4:5-10 (NIV)

⁵ For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

**Rich's Review**

April - 2020

Rise Up!

Our Resurrection Celebration this year could come with a unique understanding of rising again after our “Shelter in Place” experience. It is easy to feel the Lord’s truth that we are not built for isolation, but for relationship. Jesus came, died and rose again that our fellowship with God be renewed.

Yet, even as we practice “Social Distancing” we are not alone. The Bible repeatedly assures His people that “He will be with them.” Jesus said, “I will not leave you, nor forsake you.” I love and often repeat the phrase, “Practice the presence of the Lord.”

“Best practices” is also a buzz phrase these days. The best practices for experiencing the presence of the Lord are praying, reading the Bible (His Promises), praising Him - counting His acts of faithfulness and encouraging others through words and actions. You will see God do great things and be assured of His care and presence.

You are in my prayers these days and it will be truly a joyful Resurrection Celebration if we can gather in praise of Him this April. Please stay in touch and know I am available to help you if I can. The Lord is doing great things and His presence is our blessing.

I am blessed to be your pastor,
Rich

CELEBRATE RESURRECTION WEEK
FAMILY AND PERSONAL DEVOTIONAL READINGS
FOR PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER, APRIL 5-12

Sunday:

Palm Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11

Monday:

Fig Tree & Temple: Mark 11:12-19

Tuesday:

Lesson from Fig Tree: Mark 11:20-26

Wednesday:

Teaching & Plot: Luke 21:37-38; 22:1-2

Thursday:

Passover: John 13:1-35; Luke 22:14-23

Friday:

Crucifixion & Burial: Mark 15:1-47

Saturday:

In the Tomb: Isaiah 53:9

Sunday:

Resurrection Sunday: John 20:1-29

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Join our PABC Current Events FaceBook Group
It is free and open to anyone who wants to join.



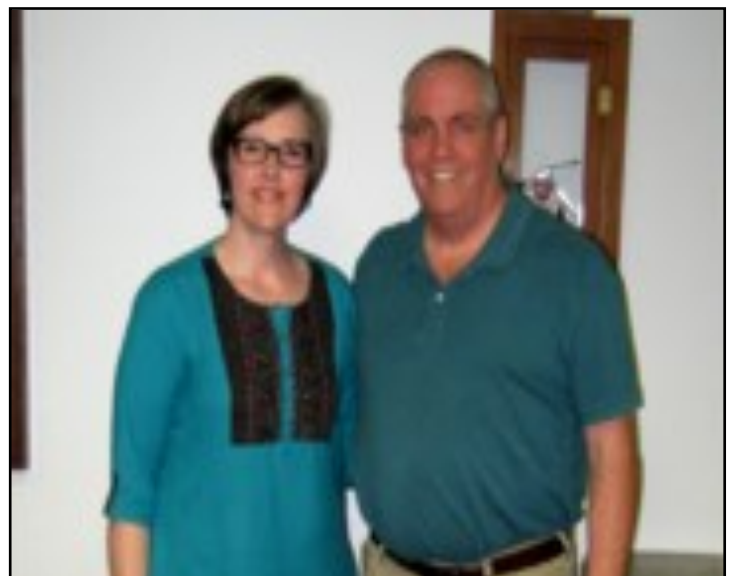
Please Pray

**University Rehabilitation
Residents - Staff
and Families**

Ministry resumes in May

**East Central Illinois
Baptist Association**

**Director of Missions
David Hutton and
Wife Shannon are moving
to Texas this month.**



**DUE TO ONGOING CONCERNS RELATED TO COVID-19,
THE 2020 SBC ANNUAL MEETING
HAS BEEN CANCELED.**

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Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse: Training for Mandated Reporters

The State of Illinois has mandated training for all those who work with children both paid and volunteer. This is a new law that came into effect this year.

The training is free and can be done online at the DCFS website. DCFSTraining.org is the site and you click on “Mandated Reporter Training” that will take you to the training module.

The training takes about an hour to complete and you will be able to print out a certificate that you completed the training at the end of the course.

It is a very important aspect of ministry to our church and community that all those involved in ministry to children have completed this training. Sunday School Teachers, VBS Helpers, Nursery Workers are all included.

You can contact the church office or Pastor Dave for more information and help completing the training.

This is a great witness to our community that we truly love them and their families.

Special Thanks

Thank you to all our staff, volunteers and friends for the amazing support during the Covid-19 shelter in place order.

Your flexibility, continued prayers, gifts and support is a great witness of encouragement and faith.

God is good and you are great proof of His grace.



**The Church Office
Is Open
Monday-Thursday
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

Please call before coming
to assure someone is
in the office

Bev is working during the "Shelter in Place" order. As a charitable organization the Governor's order allows for continued operation. We are practicing social distancing and do suggest you call before coming to the office.

If you need help please call Pastor Rich or to leave a message call the office.



A leaky roof over the youth area has been patched. While investigating the leak it became obvious that a new section of roof is needed in that area.

Chambana Roofing is providing information about cost and scheduling the repair.

Spring is here and three items are on our facility needs list.

- 1. Yard clean-up will be soon scheduled**
- 2. Church Inventory for Insurance purposes**
- 3. Updating and Organizing Security Plans**



**Making our Church
Safe for All**



Do you have ideas that will help us serve our community? Please call the church office or write you idea down and put it in the offering plate on Sunday.

We are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Let's work together.



Wednesday April 15, 6:30 p.m.

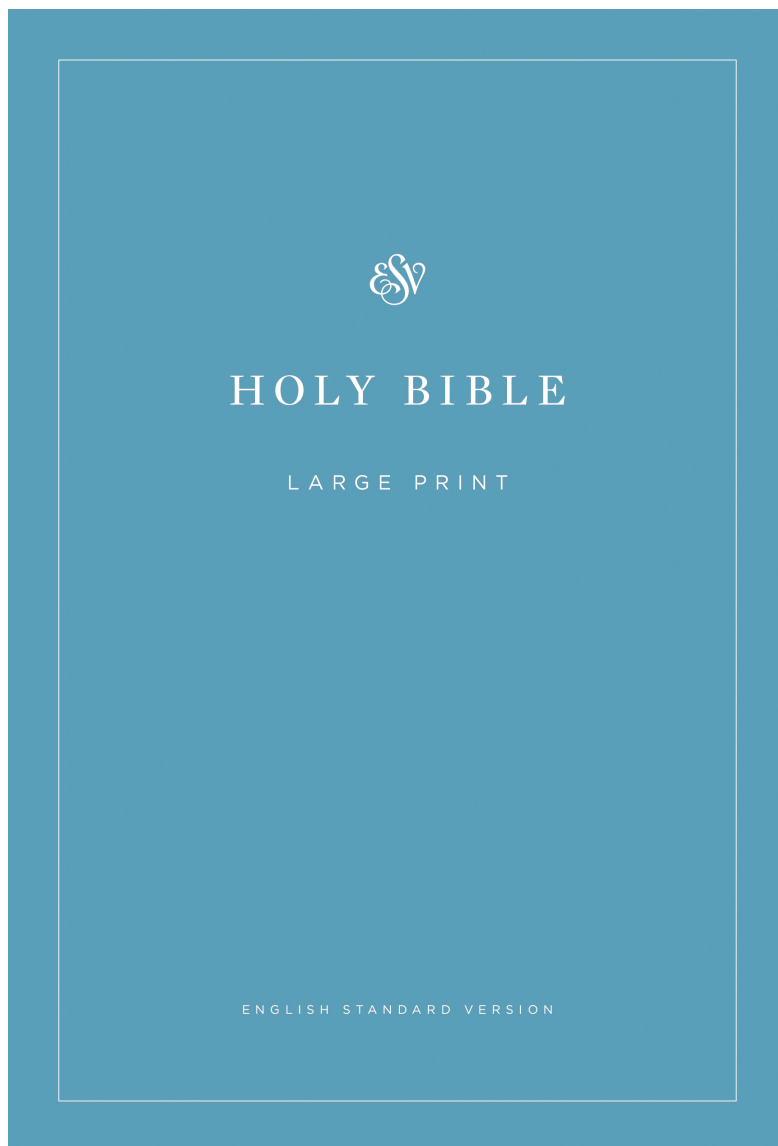
Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly meeting.



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**GLOBAL YEAR
OF THE BIBLE**

The World Evangelical Alliance's (WEA) and The National Association of Evangelicals (NAE) along with others have declared AD 2020 Global Year of the Bible. This initiative has been endorsed by over 500 leaders and organizations from over 200 countries.



Join the movement by sharing God's Word with family and friends. The blue pew Bibles are gifts to be given, shared with all who need them. Encourage everyone you can to read and study the Bible.



Bible Discovery Group

A six week conversation to develop biblical understanding with a goal toward sharing our faith

Sign-up now for this Bible Survey Group. You will participate in a 40 day Bible Reading Plan, take a big picture view of God's Word, have opportunity to discuss what it means and ask questions. You will be better equipped to share your faith by using the Bible.

There is no cost and Bibles will be provided. For more information text, call, email or see Pastor Rich.

Bible Survey

Week 1: Genesis 1 to Exodus 20 "The Law"

Week 2: Joshua 1 to Ezra 3 "History & Prophecy"

Week 3: Isaiah 9 to John 5 "Jesus, Messiah"

Week 4: John 11 to Acts 2. "Jesus, Redeemer"

Week 5: Acts 9 to 1Cor. 15 "The Gospel Spreads"

Week 6: Gal. 5 to Rev. 22 "Victory in Jesus"

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For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves
as your servants for Jesus' sake.

2Corinthians 4:5

A Note from Pastor Dave....

MINISTRY CHANGES:

Due to the current situation in our nation dealing with COVID-19 epidemic, we have had to change the way ministry happens at PABC. If you have students, make sure they are members of the PABC Live Facebook Group. We often post updates in this group chat. The following are current updates in how we are reaching out to students:

Sundays:

At 1:30pm, the students are meeting up via the Zoom App. We are still using our Gospel Project curriculum, currently studying the life of Jesus.

Pastor Rich also is adding his sermons online via our You Tube channel "Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church." Make sure that you check that out as well.

Wednesdays:

Check in to the student Bible memorization Zoom meeting. The times will differ according to schedules. We are currently using the Topical Memory System. Contact Pastor Dave via our Facebook Group for Zoom meeting times on Wednesday.

IN THE MIX:

We are currently working on a Student website/blog that will be linked to the PABC website. Look for that to contain important and fun info regarding Youth Ministry.

-Our scheduled mission trip to Nashville, TN is still happening as of March. However, due to these uncertain times, those plans could change. A final decision will be made before May 1, so be in tune for that announcement

Reach Out!

Please know that I am praying for you all during these uncertain times. If you need anything, do not hesitate to call or text. Remember, God is in control and His ways are always best. Trusting God and staying in fellowship with Him (through His Word and prayer) are important during times of trial. Connecting with other Christians is also important (Hebrew 10:24-25..."encouraging one another as the Day approaches"). If you are struggling, don't do it alone! Reach out for help, and we can get through it together.

In Christ,
Pastor Dave



Sunday School Greeter schedule

- April 12 - Weickersheimer Life Group
- April 19 - Sechrest Life Group
- April 26 - Deaf Life Group



Nursery Help Needed
If you can, please help us in this vital children's ministry!
Contact the church office, Pastor Dave or Pastor Rich.



May 10
Mother's Day

May 25
Memorial Day observed



Zachary Colleen	04/02
Paula Cosner	04/04
Rich Gregory	04/04
Jan Lane	04/07
Jim Gillen	04/19
Dick Henry	04/27
Madisen Coy	04/29



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Sunday School
Fellowship
Morning Worship

9:30 am
10:15 am
10:45 am