



# THE BELIEVER



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## May Offerings

*At the time of this publication by order of Bishop Trimble all worship and all other Church activities have been suspended through May 17.*

*Pastor Max's sermons are available on YouTube and Face Book on Sunday mornings*

*Copies of his sermons are available for those who do not have computers/internet*

*Hopefully we will be able to worship after May 17*

*Stay safe & healthy!*

*Stay tuned to your e-mail for updates*

## From the Pastor

Malachi 3:6 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

6 For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, have not perished.

On the 11th of September 2001 our normal life stopped existing. The way we normally traveled

changed. Heightened security became the new normal. We adjusted and did what we had to do in order to live. We may have certain aspects of our lives that look different when COVID 19 is in our rear view mirror. Shaking hands may be of the past with elbow to elbow arenas no longer existing.

Whatever the "new normal" may be, rest assured that God is unchanging. We can ask all the questions in the world as to why? Why did COVID 19 exist? Why did we have to seclude ourselves? Why is God doing this? What did we do wrong? God didn't do

wrong? God didn't do this, and you did nothing wrong. Rest assured that the God you knew before the Coronavirus is the same God after the Coronavirus is said and done. May the Lord your God Bless you this day.

Thank you to Pastor Max and Aimee for their Wave ministry. We all appreciate the time and gas they are devoting to this. I know I appreciate this. I have missed my church family and hope we will be back in Church real soon. Until then... please take care and know God loves us.



Remember -  
our fallen heros.  
They are the reason  
that we are free.

Monthly Missions for May

The monthly Missions for May will be for Sarah Garringer. Sarah is a missionary in West Africa. She recently returned to the United States as missionaries were called to return to the states as a preventive measure of the Corona Virus. She is here in the states until May 1 at which time she will re-evaluate her situation. Please pray for her and her decision as to whether to return.

Once there lived a happy couple who had been together for decades. But after spending years together, husband was concerned that his wife was not hearing well as she used to hear. He thought that she might need a hearing aid but he wasn't sure how to approach her.

He called his family doctor asked for suggestion. The doctor told him to test it with a simple idea. The doctor said, "Stand 40 feet away from her and speak as loud as you would speak to her in a normal conversation. Observe if she hears you. If not, reduce the distance into 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so until you get a response. The distance will help us to estimate her requirements for the hearing aid." Next day the husband saw his wife cooking dinner in the kitchen. So he took the opportunity to check the doctor's idea. He got 40 feet away from his wife and asked, "dear what is there for dinner?" He waited for response but did not get any.

He moved a bit closer and asked "dear, what is there for dinner?" He still did not get any response from his wife.

He then stood twenty feet away from his wife and asked the same question, hoping he would get a response this time. But the wife did not respond.

He then stood just ten feet away from his wife and asked "Dear, what is there for dinner." He



Thanks to Pastor Max and Aimee and all others who helped decorate the cross this year. It looks as beautiful as ever even though we were not all present at the same time to decorate.

did not get any response.  
By now the husband was very concerned and felt pity about how bad is his wife's hearing.  
Then he walked right behind her and says, "Honey, what is there for dinner?"  
The wife shouted, "John, This is the fifth time I'm saying, CHICKEN!!!"  
Moral: Most often, the problem may not be with others but could be very much within us.

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