

Bay City Wesleyan Church
June 14, 2020

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Sunday Morning 06-14-2020 ONLINE

BIG FAITH may look small to us but trusting Jesus to be who he claims to be and to do what he promises to do will transform the world.
<http://bible.com/events/19017194>

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Champions of Hope

New here? Click on the link below to find out how to join our church's Facebook group -- Champions of Hope.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/infusinghope>

Online Giving with Tithe.ly

Please, set up your account at Tithe.ly or download the Tithe.ly app for your phone. Follow the directions given at the website or in the app. Once you've set up your account with Tithe.ly, click on the link to worship Jesus by giving to his church. If you'd prefer to mail a check to the church, our address is--Bay City Wesleyan Church 506 W North Union Street Bay City MI 48706
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1331999>

Bay City Wesleyan Church Public Gathering Information

Determining and doing what the Holy Spirit wants for us shaped the Church Board's discussions about gathering publicly. That led us to seek a balance between protecting each other and meeting at our building. Our meetings will change, but Jesus won't. He still reigns as King of Heaven and Earth.

What did we decide? [Our plans may change depending on circumstances in our community.]

• The TENTATIVE date for our first face-to-face gathering is Sunday, June 21, at 10:45 a.m. for Morning Worship only. This will be a bare basics gathering. It will be outdoors weather permitting.

• If you are sick or have been exposed to someone who is sick, do not come to the church building. Thank you.

• We will continue to live stream Sunday Morning Worship on Facebook. Recordings are available both online and on CDs or DVDs. The Wednesday Prayer times and devotionals will still be posted online as well.

• Childcare will not be provided at this time. The Nursery will be closed. Children do not understand and will not practice physical distancing.

• A locked offering box will be provided next to the center doors to the worship area. You can continue to use Tithe.ly or to mail checks as well.

• Some seats will be taped off. We recommend families sit together.

• Masks are not mandatory, but Pastor Mark recommends that you wear one. If you can bring your own, please do so. But masks will be available. After use, worshipers may take masks with them or deposit them in a container to be cleaned for reuse.

• We will provide hand sanitizer and facial tissues as much as possible. If you can bring your own, please do so.

Â· There are germ-killing soaps in restrooms.
For more information, please check the posts in the CHAMPIONS OF HOPE group on Facebook.

Hebrews 11:6 NIV

<small>6</small> And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.
<https://hebrews.bible/hebrews-11-6>

Luke 6:46-49 NET

<small>46</small> "Why do you call me "Lord, Lord," and don't do what I tell you? <small>47</small> "Everyone who comes to me and listens to my words and puts them into practice " I will show you what he is like: <small>48</small> He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep, and laid the foundation on bedrock. When a flood came, the river burst against that house but could not shake it, because it had been well built. <small>49</small> But the person who hears and does not put my words into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the river burst against that house, it collapsed immediately, and was utterly destroyed!"
<https://bible.com/bible/107/luk.6.46-49.NET>

The story of two houses reveals a theme that runs through the books of the Bible from beginning to end. True trust in and loyalty to Jesus results in obedience. No obedience = no faith

Sermon in a Sentence:

Trusting Jesus enough to practice his teachings is the key to life in God's Kingdom-Family.

From Jesus's tale of the two houses, we realize that hearing and learning are not enough. The rubber meets the road in the application, because, in the end, it's obedience that makes all the difference.

The Spirit will enable us to build our lives on rock-solid faith but that doesn't mean it won't be hard work. A solid foundation involves digging down to the bedrock. It requires time, effort, and help.

You and I need to conduct ongoing personal evaluations led and empowered by the Spirit and assisted by other Jesus-followers.

This requires an attitude adjustment, so we move from refusing to change to working with the Holy Spirit to change. We may start small, but it must become our way of life in Jesus's Kingdom-Family.