

It's Good to "See" You!

VBS "20-20 Vision" - being planned...
Meeting April 5 if all goes well... keep praying!



What does
"the law and
the prophets"
say? Hint: It's
found just
before that
"narrow gate"
verse...

Do you miss it? Seeing one another face-to-face is such a wonderful event! Probably more valuable than we ever thought possible. Did we take the assembly with like minded Christians for granted? Life has been turned "upside down" for a moment or two. Do we take our health for granted too? Hmmm...

We may soon come to appreciate the simple phrase "It's good to see you" in a much different light. Yes, that's what I want to do, I want to "see" you! I want to shake your hand, hug your neck, see you smile! That's spiritual fuel for me. However, this temporary situation doesn't allow for it. That makes me sad. It's really okay to be sad sometimes. But remember this; sadness is temporary. It's real, but it's temporary. For our church family, it will be a great reunion to "see" one another again. Are you ready? I am!

"Comfort and edify one another..." (1 Thessalonians 5:11). Until we "see" one another again, we are communicating—calling, texting, sharing. We are depending on each other even though we can't "see" each other. We are pulling together as a community to support one another. I believe that's what the letters written to churches were partly about—a connection. An exchange of heart and mind. A vision of love and hope. An assurance of trust and joy. We know the Lord will find a way for us. We may have to find a new "normal" for the time being.

This situation has given new meaning to "a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing" (Ecclesiastes 3:5). Turn from the transient and focus on the eternal (Colossians 1:18). Any pestilence cannot destroy the spirit. The atoning sacrifice found in the blood of Christ is not diminished by any unseen "bug." The glory of the church for whom Christ died will shine as a beacon into eternity. We are the "light" and "salt" people need to see and taste. The Christian life IS good. I look forward to saying: "It's good to see you again!"

To all our visitors: *Please feel free to participate!*

You should expect to hear singing with voices only, a few "family" announcements, prayers spoken, and see the Lord's Supper offered, then free-willed giving, and Gospel preaching from the Bible.

Any response is up to you and will be kindly received.

We are glad you decided to worship God with us!

Bday/Anniv Lunch: 2nd Sunday
(yes, Lord willing...)

NMCCH: collecting aluminum foil
and kitchen trash bags (pick up
will be later, please keep giving)
—THANK YOU for reading!