

September 8, 2020

Dear Zion Presbyterian Church family members,

The person, Job is the pronoun of "the righteous in suffering" and is in every Christian's mouth. As we began the book of Job, the mistake that is easily made when we understand suffering was considered: There is a quite big "blind spot" in suffering. If we are arrogant in such a way that we can understand and embrace everything in our life in spite of the reality that we are confined in the things that are possible to be, visible, and possible, then we might stay at Job's suffering alone in order to understand his suffering. We might understand just what we can see in Job's condition. We want to remember what God told us as we are about to make mistake to understand Job's suffering. The blind spot is that Job was chosen and saved by God and became His son and feared God everyday and considered a perfect fruit of God's salvation. His possession seemed perfect was not the evidence of God's special love on him. We are very similar to Job because we are also out of Abraham's genealogy. As Job, one who was out of Abraham's genealogy, was saved so were we. Yes, that's because Jesus died on the cross and resurrected from the dead for us. On that fact, we pray that all of our members would fruitfully walk the way of Christians' by continually submitting life issues, which come from our life journey under suffering to Christ, based on the blind spot; God's love which chose and saved us!

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1. Prayer Meeting

In the temporary session meeting, the session decided that we will have special prayer meetings for 4 weeks from now on. Because it is very hard and dangerous for us to invite all our members to the meeting, we will invite the members who serve our church to the meeting in organized and ordered ways. First of all, the first two Lord's Days(September 13, and 20) will be for the extended session members. Then, the next two Lord's Days(September 27 and October 4) will be for the cell group leaders and team leaders. In addition, within our direction to accord with the direction of Maryland State, we will prepare the next steps and plans for our next steps to reopen our church. We will also consider how to keep in touch all of our members who feel isolated and scattered with prayer. We will do these with certain leadership in our church. So, we ask all our members whether or not you are in the prayer meeting to pray together for these significant steps.

2. Zion Korean School(Online)

In progress by the grace of God. Please keep praying for thankful procession and abundant fruit!

3. Fellowship After Worship

The session decided temperance in the fellowship one more month, September. Please understand and pray for this decision.

❖ The Hybrid Lord's Day Worship Service

- 1. In order to provide our better members the most comfortable environment, all of our members continually keep "wearing the face mask throughout the worship service" and "social distance." Thank you so much for your cooperation!
- 2. When entering the sanctuary, after checking body-temperature, if the fever (100.4 °F) is detected, please follow guidance of worship team leader. Please check your health condition, if you feel fever or chill, have cough, have underlying medical condition, and feeling uncomfortable to come to church building, then please worship at home via YouTube.