A DISTINCT SOCIETY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020 | ROMANS 12 | REV. DR. FRED THAM

CHURCH NEWS

This Monday, October 12, 2020, is Thanksgiving Holiday, which is also a church holiday.

Vacation for MCBC staff as below:

- Pastor Jason Yuan (Mandarin Division) from September 29 to October 12 (inclusive)
- Pastor Kenric Ng (Cantonese Division) from October 11 to 17 (inclusive)
- Pastor Steven Ng (Cantonese Division) from October 14 to 17 (inclusive)
- Administrative Assistant Ms. Tracy Chan from October 9 to 14 (inclusive)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Grocery Gift Card Drive

Thanks to everyone's generosity, we have raised a total of \$735 in gift cards to provide families with groceries in the past three weeks! We will be pausing this outreach program for the time being until January 2021. May the Lord continue to bless and provide for you!

2. New Media Ministry

- Our new church website (<u>www.mcbc.com</u>) has been launched on September 2. We welcome brothers and sisters to browse and use it.
- 2. Both MCBC's new Facebook page and ED's new Facebook Group are now up and running! These are new ways for us to stay connected as a church family. You can find MCBC's Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/groups/MCBC.ED/.
- 3. At MCBC, we strive to communicate with our community in ways that best suit their needs. As a result, we've created a New Media Ministry Team who will oversee MCBC's various digital media platforms, and we need your help making this a reality! We're looking for those with a gift of video filming, video editing and/or writing, as well as graphic designers to help us captivate our audience visually and linguistically. If you are able to serve in these areas or have further questions, please contact Pastors Joanne, Catherine, or Freddy at newmedia@mcbc.com.

3. Pastoral Caring and Support

While all on-site gatherings are suspended, pastoral shepherding continues. Brothers and sisters, if you have any caring needs and/or prayer requests, feel free to contact any of our pastors in their respective divisions. We will do our best to render as much assistance and support as we can.

4. Four Ways of Offering

We can continue our obligation of offering (details at https://mcbc.com/en/give/) while worshiping at a distance via:

- 1. E-Transfer
- 2. Paypal Giving Fund program: make offerings at https://www.paypal.com/ca/fundraiser/charity/3450711
- 3. Putting your offering into the offering (cash or cheque) into the collection box located at the church reception area during church office operation hours
- 4. Mailing in cheques to the church office (Please do not send cash)

5. Donation to Hospitals

Brothers and sisters are encouraged to make donations to individual hospitals according to their needs.

If you would like to make donations to Markham Stouffville Hospital (MSH), here are two different ways:

- 1. Monetary donation: http://support.mshf.on.ca/site/TR?pg=teamlist&fr id=1310
- 2. <u>Material donation</u>: Drop off your donation of medical supplies, including surgical masks, gloves, and/or hand sanitizers, into the drop box set up in the hospital's loading lot. Address of MSH is 379 Church Street, Suite 303, Markham, ON L6B 0T1.