

Dear Church Family,

This letter is to inform you of our current plan to regather for in-person worship on June 21st, 2020. As we have endeavored to develop the safest plan for regathering, we have conducted several trial runs over the past few weeks and have had many planning sessions with our regathering team. As we look forward to the 21st, there are a few things we feel are important for you to know.

- ❖ Beginning Sunday, June 21st, the main sanctuary and several other rooms will be open for in-person worship. We will allow as many people as possible, with social distancing, to enter the sanctuary and use the additional rooms for overflow. A live stream of the service will be available in the overflow areas.
- ❖ Currently, we will only have an 11:00 AM worship service. At this time, child care will not be provided. However, children are welcome to attend worship with their families.
- ❖ Sunday School will now broadcast at **9:30 AM** on our church Facebook page.
- ❖ Hand sanitizer, gloves, and masks will be available as you enter the church. Based on the most recent DHEC recommendations, we **highly recommend** you wear a mask while in worship.
- ❖ Please use the front doors of the church to enter the sanctuary through the vestibule. Ushers will be available to direct you to a seat. In order to safely practice social distancing, once you are seated, please remain in the same seat until the service is concluded (unless you go to the restroom or need to use the nursery facilities).
- ❖ The only restrooms available for use are those located immediately next to the Welcome Center.
- ❖ At the conclusion of the worship service, ushers will dismiss congregants one pew at a time. Please remain seated until you are given directions. Everyone will exit through the front of the church. We ask you to not gather in the vestibule. Instead, continue onto the lawn in order to maintain social distancing.
- ❖ A drop box for tithes and offerings will be available in the vestibule. You may also give online at <https://baptistfoundationsc.org/give> (link also located on the church website).
- ❖ We will continue to offer Facebook live services. We are currently updating our church website to allow streaming and archiving of our services.
- ❖ We will soon add availability of sermons on DVD for those not best ministered to through Facebook Live. Please contact the church office for more information on this ministry.
- ❖ **If you do not feel well, are experiencing a cold, cough, fever or any other illness please do not attend. If you are awaiting results from a COVID-19 test, please do not attend until you have received a negative result. Our primary goal is to keep everyone safe.**

We sincerely appreciate your patience as we have been seeking the Lord's guidance on when and how to regather. We understand not all of our members will feel comfortable returning to church at this time. Please know this is OK as you seek what is best for you and your family during this time.

Please contact the church office at 803-794-0377 (or e-mail fbcg003@bellsouth.net) if you have any questions.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

First Baptist Gaston Regathering Team