



Dear MBC Family,

I hope to send out a message to you every Tuesday to keep you updated with things connected with our church.

We are certainly living in challenging times because of COVID-19 (coronavirus). Last night at 8.30pm Boris Johnson, our Prime Minister, addressed the nation. Basically, we're on lockdown! The aim is to limit the spread of the virus, thus preventing our NHS from becoming overwhelmed.

So, near the beginning of a new week we're starting to get used to a new norm. This new norm brings new trials - trials that you didn't have even a week ago.

In the book of James 1:12 we read: *Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.*

These new trials will test your perseverance, character, and faith, but don't forget that God can use them to build you up for the blessings he has prepared for you.

Last Sunday we ran our first online service. The message was entitled: "Living in the Valley" (Psalm 23:1,4).

You can watch this via this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkQNJc0Y7sDE3AIgDrXwJDg>

This Sunday we are looking at the final 'Vision 2020' message. The service will be put online, and we will send you details of how to access it.

With love and prayers,

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We are ready to help you during this uncertain time. From shopping, telephone calls, prayer and pastoral support and more. Don't hesitate to contact me.