

ULVERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH

19th March 2020

UBC FAMILY CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE

It's official: We are doing church differently this week!

Today we have decided to cancel all UBC Sunday services starting this Sunday 22nd March. All Sunday services to the public and congregation are cancelled until further notice. This is the hardest and easiest decision to make. Hard because this is so against what we believe the church is here for and are called to yet easy because it is the right decision.

This, as you can image, is a very difficult decision to make, we do not make it lightly. Please stay informed with our updates on our Facebook and check out the website ub.church

We will be live streaming our services, which means the current feel and shape of church has changed. We are still the church, it's just looking different, and the church has never been the building, it is you the people. As a church family let us stay connected through our phone calls, following up and communicating. While we may have physical distancing, we can mobilise ourselves around these challenges as a spiritual family.

Remember, church family, to choose Jesus, follow Jesus and stay close to Jesus. Let's become a blessing to others. Let your light shine.

The theme of our hearts as a leadership is **1 Corinthians 13:12, 13, for now, we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13 So now faith, hope, and Love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is Love.**

To help the UBC family navigate this time and stay focused. Here is our theme as a family for right now, and tomorrow and for this season. Now faith, hope and Love. May we navigate in this challenging and season with faith for each day as we keep our eyes on Jesus? With hope, for real-life to come out of this dark time and sharing the message of hope and see lives change. To lead in Love, Love what matters friends... helps us and to love and care for one another.

We hope that the theme "faith, hope and love" helps you to navigate this time and focus on what is important. Faith for each day as we keep our eyes on Jesus. Hope for real-life to come out of this dark time and sharing the message of hope to see lives changed. Lead in love, love and care for one another.

In all this, we can overcome through Him who is Jesus!

Church family may we all be moved to pray daily for our church family, our families and our community at this difficult time.

God Bless,

Pastor Louis and the UBC leadership team