



Damon M. Allen, Pastor



FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

"We are the People of the Promise"

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Morning 10:00 AM (pst)
Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM (pst)
Facebook Live

NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE

Join us online for Sunday Morning
Worship at 11:00 AM (PST)
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NEWSLETTER

• Intercessory Prayer for our Pastor, Leaders and Church

Lord, we lift up the hands of our pastor, leaders and their families. We place them in the shelter of the Most High, to rest in Your shadow. We will say of the Lord, You are their refuge and fortress; You will preserve their family time; Your faithfulness will meet their financial needs in Christ (Philippians 4:19). Release Your promise of abundant life according to John 10:10. Release Your angels to guard them and keep them steadfast for you. You have said, "I will be with them in trouble; I will deliver them, and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them My salvation" (Psalm 91:15,16). In Jesus' name, we cancel all the assignments of the enemy against our Pastor's life and family (Matthew 6:10). Amen

• #LevelUP Lifestyle

Love * Elevate * Vote * Empower * Learn

Unity * Pray

• FMBC Presents Online Workshop with Dr. Manuel Scott Jr. July 7-9, 2020

Join us online each night at 7:00 pm for the Spiritual Nourishment Bible Workshop with Dr. Manuel Scott Jr. A donation of \$40 is requested. Please visit our website to register.

• Ministry Calls

Join the Women's Ministry conference call every Monday at 6:30 pm. The dial in number is 1-978-990-5000, Access Code: 744200#

Dial in to Pastor Allen's prayer call every Thursday at 3:00 pm. Call 617-793-8941

Dial in to the Youth Ministry Call every Thursday at 6:30 pm. The dial in number is 1-978-990-5439, Access Code: 2372330

PASTOR'S PEN

**Beloved,
People of Promise,
Children of God,**

As we enter another season of our faith (a physical season called summer, a spiritual season of harvest, and a mental/emotional season of unrest in the world in which we live) where do we stand? Are we distracted by the enemies tactics and employments to continue to convey contempt? Rather, are we consciously, emotionally, mentally, and spiritually awaiting our Harvest Season (as the flowers harvest their blossoms, the bees harvest honey, the sun harvest its longer days) and the Lord our God renews, restores, revives and replenishes His people, His earth and His promise! I choose to hear from Heaven and be not distracted by this world!

That being said, while turmoil seems to persist we as the "People of Promise" need be making preparations because the "harvest is plentiful but the workers are few," Matthew 9:37, Luke 10:2. We therefore need people to do some specific things as we prepare to celebrate this Harvest Season and reopen our doors:

1. We need more members willing to volunteer that we may increase our food pantry days and times. This means a greater financial obligation as well as better advertisement in spreading the word that we are indeed feeding people who desperately need food. It also means that while we are a blessing to those that come regularly, there are many more people in our community to whom we need to service.

2. There are some major repairs around the church that need our attention. During this time the world called quarantine, we have been in consecration with God. As He worked on me these three months there was also work done to my house. Many of you have told me of the things done to your house as well, and, as "People of the Promise" WE mustn't let God's house lack repair. Tithes and offerings are the day to day "normal" upkeep but we want to present God's House as a place of abundance! Therefore we shall be asking donations from you and I to work towards getting these things done.

3. As we move into this next realm of ministry, our church ministry needs a facelift! Things are going to be different than what we would previously call the "norm" which means that everyone is going to need to step up what has to be done. It must be a unified act that we do together. There are no big I's and little u's at FMBC; we NEED all hands on deck! If you want to reopen the physical doors to the church, we need EVERY ministry to begin to ask themselves "what can we do better"? I've learned that through the rough patches prayer, patience, prayer persistence, prayer perseverance, prayer planning, prayer and a posture of praise pays off!!!

Why just come back to church? Why not come back as if God has shown us once again that His love is overwhelming, that if He can turn our houses into worship centers then we should give His house more than ever before! It's Harvest Season, are you ready for you're God to bring out the very best in you?

And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.

Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name.

And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

Malachi 3:12,16-18 - KJV

"To God Be the Glory" for the things that He shall do! We ARE "The People of the Promise"

In Love,
~D.A.