

How We Do Church Now Because of Covid-19

Now That We Can't BE Together, here is how we are going to BE Church...

Greetings from Pastor Craig Ledbetter.

This is a guide to how our church is going to be operated for the foreseeable future. It is a bit long... but important. We, as a church have not gone anywhere - we just can't meet together as a body of believers right now. But we can still meet and encourage each other *online*, and and we can grow in our faith, IF we put out just a little bit of extra effort.



So... Sunday Morning Church Service is from 10.30am – 11.30am as usual.

You will find the church service LIVE online on youtube.com/biblebc. Make sure you login with your youtube account, and then **Subscribe** to the **biblebc** channel.

You can also watch it LIVE on **FaceBook**. You might need to send a Friend request to me (**Craig Ledbetter**), if you haven't already, so that you will know when the church service is live. If you miss the live church service, you can always find the church service saved in the youtube.com/biblebc channel. All of our previous preaching videos are there.

Contact me if you need help setting up on youtube.

Here are some important thoughts about How to Attend Church Online

1. Get out of bed, and get dressed. It is the Lord's day! So, go through your normal Sunday routine without the "hurry up, we are late" part. It will put you in the right kind of mindset for worship and respect of God's word.
2. Gather together as a family. Church is more serious than school or the office, so don't be "multi-tasking" and looking at your phone texts, and social media – set everyone else in Airplane mode. The idea is to Pay attention as if you were in church.
3. View church on the largest screen possible – not on a small phone, or tablet, unless that is all you have. See if you can access **youtube** on your SmartTV.
4. Have your actual Bible in your hand, instead of using your phone or tablet's Bible app.
5. Take notes on what pastor is preaching about. Writing down what you hear helps you learn.
6. Pray for the Holy Spirit to aggressively work on us all as we listen, instead of fear.

Children's Church is online starting this coming Sunday, and every Sunday from 9.30am - 10am

I am excited to announce that **Children's Church** is now going to be available on our YouTube channel (youtube.com/biblebc) every Sunday at 9:30am – each lesson lasts only 30 minutes. Children that are old enough should sit down in front of the largest screen available for the lesson with a sheet of paper to answer a few questions from the class, at the end of the class.

I am asking all the parents to do two things for me:

- 1) Text me at +353-87-2766764 letting me know your children are watching the lesson, and,
- 2) Take a picture of their answers that they will write out at the end of every class and text that also to me.

That will make the class a lot more official for the children, and it will help make the class complete for all the children. In time, we will do some amazing things with the children, like getting them all together online via Zoom, and singing, and putting it all together into one song to play for everybody!

Tithing and Giving

We need everyone to get back to giving to the Lord. Your Tithing and Giving can be dropped off at the church office, or can be given electronically by going to our church website



(www.biblebc.com), and clicking on the "Tithes and Offerings" icon. "But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." Matthew 6:20

Wednesday Prayer meetings are joined via Zoom.us – just 40 minutes

This is an awesome way to keep as close as possible, to pray for and encourage each other. At about 6:50, I will be sending out a link to remind you to join the video link up for prayer together.

It is called [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us), and it is free for you to use. It is used by huge companies. And WE get to use it for the Lord!

Just click on the blue link in the text I will send you.

Ignore any statement that may say the link is invalid.

Agree to the cookies if asked.

If you have not already installed the [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us) app, Click on Download (Get) from the Store and install.

Then you need to go back to the meeting link I sent you in [WhatsApp](https://www.whatsapp.com) and click on it again.

And then enter your first name so that I can tell who is who during the meeting.

The click on Agree

Then, Allow your camera

Then click Join with Video

Allow it to access your Microphone, and Notifications.

THEN, it will ask you "Do you want to hear others?", click on Call using Internet Audio.

This sounds like a lot to do, but after this setup, it will be instant.

The whole meeting will last less than 40 minutes.

There are loads of studies, preaching and helpful resources on our church website www.biblebc.com

If you haven't gone there recently, check it out.

There are loads of Discipleship and Bible Studies available, as well as Bible Institute Classes you can take online.

Better yet, recommend this website to a friend, so that they get some spiritual teaching and some answers to their questions to their spiritual hunger.

Christian Music

Every Friday from 7-8pm, I play a dozen great Gospel Hymns and give the background behind each hymn so that you appreciate the words more. It is on 93.1 Life FM here in Cork, and online at www.lifefm.ie by clicking Listen Online. It is repeated on Sunday evenings from 8-9pm.

You can also subscribe to [Spotify](https://open.spotify.com) so that you can stream good Christian music into your home. I will send out some links at another time with some good suggestions.

The Future

Our Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting may be able to expand to a Bible Study again – Woohoo! So stay tuned!

At some point, we all will start to get back to a sort of normal. That means we will be able to "gather together" as believers again. We will head out to do soul-winning, and plan Bible Clubs and Youth Camps, and Men's Retreats.



Until then, Are you interested in doing Discipleship via Skype? You could join with an already active group, or start from scratch one on one online with one of our Disciplers in our church.

Until then, are you able to help out with doing some of the office tasks from your home?

Office Hours

As your Pastor, I am usually in the Church Office all day Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays, and I am available to help you in any way you might need. Just let me know.

I endeavour to communicate to everybody via [WhatsApp](#), and normal texting, but if you don't hear from me, it may be I don't have the right contact information, so let me know by texting me at **+353-872766764**, or emailing me at biblebc@gmail.com

Please know that I pray for every one of you, and for our missionaries, and for our lost nation. Please pray for me, and for each other, and for our 8 missionary families by name!

In closing, please keep in touch!

Don't be "locked-in..."Look up! JESUS IS COMING AGAIN SOON!

Let's live like He is coming back TODAY!

And keep worshipping the King of kings, the Lord Jesus, till He comes!

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