

## Financial Giving During These Difficult Times

The Lord is working in ways we see and cannot see...  
and we thank Him for that.

We continue to remain faithful to Him  
during these trying times and follow His leading.  
Can you believe it's now the 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of not meeting in person?

We are so grateful for your prayers, kind and encouraging words,  
and donations throughout these uncertain times.

**We would appreciate your continued  
giving regularly by the following ways:**

- 1) On our website, via our app, or on-line, by using a debit or credit card or linking a bank account.
- 2) Mail a personal check or send directly through your bank, to 2000 State Route 208, Hawthorne, New Jersey 07506.
- 3) Drop off at the church office between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday (please call before you come).

Questions? Contact Chad De Boer  
at 973-427-6960, extension 116.

*So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed,  
for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*  
Isaiah 41:10

### ***Paving the Pathway Update***

**Goal: \$5,628,181.00!**

**Received: \$4,470,877.04 (through May 7<sup>th</sup>)**

**Needed: \$1,157,303.96**



*Hawthorne*  
GOSPEL CHURCH

**Sunday, May 10, 2020**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**LIVE-STREAMED at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM**

**Pastor David A. Schuit**

**“THE MOTHERS OF JESUS”**

**Ruth 4:13-17**

**Today is Missions Focus Sunday!**

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**Weekday Devotionals:** Our Pastoral Staff shares great truths from God's Word from Monday through Friday! For the next two weeks they will be in the book of Philippians. Visit the website.

**Our Prayer Meeting** is online every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. The **May Prayer Calendar** also is on our website.

**The Church Office** will remain open. Please call us first. If it is not urgent, we may ask you **not** to come in, but one of our pastors will certainly speak with you over the phone.

**Our GriefShare Support Group** meets online every Thursday at 7:30 pm. However, you must register to participate. Please go to [www.griefshare.org/groups/115263/registration/new](http://www.griefshare.org/groups/115263/registration/new). For more details, please call Lories (973-628-0745) or Anna (973-452-2490).

## COVID Outreach

HGC is very focused on reaching out to our local and surrounding communities. We currently are extending a *helping hand* to the police departments, the post office, correction officers, and to those who are homeless in Paterson. We also want to equip you to reach out to those with whom you come in contact with often (sanitation workers, local postal workers, landscaping crews, etc.). Our staff is assembling gift bags with items such as coffee gift cards, water bottles, snack bars, and the Gospel of John. If you would like to pick up some bags to hand out, contact Pastor Tim at [tstanley@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:tstanley@hawthornegospel.org) or Pastor Jake at [jake@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:jake@hawthornegospel.org). Gift bags should be ready for pick up at the church by Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

1. **Give:** We have exceeded our original goal of \$5,000 to purchase meals, ingredients, and other necessary items. To date, we have received \$8,510.56! **THANK YOU!** But let's not stop there! Let's extend the love of Jesus even further and *let's continue to give!* Please designate your gift *Covid Outreach*.
2. **Volunteer** to deliver food while adhering to proper standards of social distancing and face masks.

For more information, contact Pastor Timothy Stanley, Director of Outreach, at [tstanley@hawthornegospel.org](mailto:tstanley@hawthornegospel.org).

## The Secret of Contentment

I read about a person who went out on the streets and asked people what made them content. Here are some of the answers: Knowing that I have enough money, being accepted for who I am, reading a good book at the shore, and my family. If you made out a list, what would be on your list?

In Philippians 4:12, Paul says *I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation*. Imagine finding the secret to contentment! It is interesting that Paul wrote these words while he was chained hand and foot in a cold, dark, smelly prison! His circumstances certainly did not determine his contentment! It is interesting, too, that Paul does not pray to get out. That is what I would have prayed for—*Lord, get me out of this miserable situation!*

Paul's secret is in verse 13: *I can do everything through Him who gives me strength*. In other words, he could handle any situation through Christ who was his strength in that situation. That's why he could be content. . .when he was well fed, Christ was his strength; when he was hungry, Christ was his strength; when he was in danger, Christ was his strength; when he felt alone, Christ was his strength!

When **WE** face the coronavirus...Christ is **OUR** strength! True contentment is stimulated from the inside, because it is based on **Christ who lives in US!**

Pastor David A. Schuit



### Elders & Staff Members on Call

In need of spiritual encouragement or prayer?  
The Elders and Staff member on call this week are

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