**March 24, 2020**

**To: Our Members, Family Friends and Associates**

**RE: COVID-19 UPDATE**

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS, SERVICES, MEETINGS, AND COMMUNITY BUSINESS**

**Greetings in The Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! On behalf of the Pastor, & Board Members of Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church, we are writing this letter to acknowledge the stay–at-home order that was issued on Monday, March 23, 2020 by Gov. Eric Holcomb, State of Indiana and Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary State of Indiana. *It has been stated in this order that Gary Police along with the Indiana State Police will fully enforce the Governor’s issued order to stay indoors at least until Tuesday, April 7, 2020, as an effort to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 Coronavirus* in our communities. We have been asked to take these trying times that our world is enduring as serious as possible and not defying or rejecting what the public health experts has told us about carrying on with unacceptable behavior and not practicing social-distancing, as we continue on this way we are increasing the risk of the spread of this virus. For present and future financial contributions, tithes, offerings and donations you may continue to mail in your personal checks through the U.S. Postal Service along with written specifications of donation type and amount you are contributing, if you do not have contribution envelopes handy.**

**There will also be verbal connections made to all active members with updated contact information on file for well-checks and more convenient ways to make these contributions. Please be safe and stay prayerful. If you should have any questions, concerns or comments you may kindly respond by contacting our church office and leaving a voicemail *THE CHURCH will not be open on the inside for worship or any other business*. If you would like to do business or make contributions please call the office MON-FRI, 9AM-5PM if we are not available please leave a detailed voicemail message we will return your call within 24 hours as we must follow government, state and CDC guidelines of no social contact of more than 10 people in fellowship at one time for religious organizations.**

**“And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.” -Deuteronomy 31:8**

**Sincerely,**

**Deacon’s & Trustees**

**Rev. Charles L. Emery, Pastor**

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**Church Motto:**

**“Together We Can If We Think We Can”~Philippians 4:13**