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Dear Friends

I trust that you are all continuing to manage with the present challenging circumstances. There has been some good news towards the end of this week as the government plan to ease some of the lock-down restrictions this incoming week, however, it will probably be some time yet before we can meet as a congregation in the meeting house, pray for their wisdom in this situation.

I have attached this week's devotion, which is an abbreviated version of the recorded worship time which will be available via the Aughnacloy & Ballymagrane Facebook page from 8 am tomorrow morning 3rd May. The scripture text is 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12. Thank you for your support and interest in last weeks online message, many of you have watched and I trust have known God's blessing through it.

So far there has been quite a good response to the forwarding of email addresses. Please encourage others, from our congregations to forward their email address in order that they too may be included. If not forward this to them and ask them to forward their email address to me so that we can all keep in touch.

Thank you, many of you have been keeping contact with each other on the telephone, this is great, keep it up and please remember the most venerable in our congregations at present. I am available, to be contacted by phone at anytime, please give me a call if you need me, it is always great to here from you. I am have plans to keep in contact by phone. However, there are a large number of call to be made, I may not call you at the point of your need, therefore, do not be hesitate to call me before I call you.

**Announcements:**

**There will be a virtual meeting of the Linkage Commission on Tuesday 26th May, at this meeting our request for leave to call a new minister will be discussed and D.V will be granted.**

**In light of the present Coronavirus pandemic it is uncertain when our congregations will be able to meet again, it may not be before the end of June. This is will impact upon our congregations regular income. With this in mind can we encourage you, if you are able to continue with your regular giving, this can be done through a bank standing order or making direct electronic bank transfers. Bank details for your congregation can be forwarded on request, either through your congregational treasurer or myself, to individuals. If this is not possible we request that you continue to fill up your church envelopes on a regular basis and put them on the offering plate when the current restrictions are lifted.**

Keep safe and God Bless you all

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