

Distance Learning About to Start

Good morning,

You did it! We did it! I can not believe that we were able to pack up and distribute the locker/school contents for distance learning in one day. Thanks so much for the effort that you made to come to Rehoboth and get the materials. Hopefully the toilet paper made it worth it! We were glad that we could also deliver contents to some of you who were not able to make it. The staff has been working hard at preparing for the 4th quarter in a new way. I have been impressed with their creativity, their determination and the long hours they have put in to launch distance learning. We want this to be accessible for all- that is why we are doing both internet based education and offline education through the flash drives that will be shared on Thursday and Friday of this week. Each student will be getting a call on either Thursday or Friday from a teacher. We know this is new for everyone so we want to assure you that we will work through the challenges together. Please know that we have staff who will be praying for each family and each student during this time. While this is not the way we had hoped to do school, we are so thankful that we have the resources to be able to continue education at Rehoboth. Our prayer is that we will be able to be on campus again this semester but we can not predict when or if that will be.

Please know that we see you as part of our family. You do not know how fun it was to see you on campus on Monday -even if from 6 feet away. It is important that you communicate your questions or needs or celebrations with us. The Administration Building will be open daily from 8:00-3:00. Call 505-863-4412 and we will be able to help you get answers. A reminder that our food service workers are preparing awesome breakfasts and lunches which are served outside of the Fellowship Hall from 8-10 and 11-1. (Your local public school should also be serving meals if you live far from Rehoboth). As you know Rehoboth's staff is paid through the money we raise through donations and tuition. For some of you, the economic chaos associated with the pandemic has hit you hard. If you have concerns about your tuition payments because of job loss or other changes in your circumstances, please contact us as we journey together. Feel free to email me at bippel@rcsnm.org or our Director of Finance at pbrink@rcsnm.org.

Thanks for being such wonderful partners in this journey. Three verses stood out in my devotions this morning:

Psalm 24:1 The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it....

Psalm 25:1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; in you I trust, O my God.

Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation- whom shall I fear? ...of whom shall I be afraid?

Trusting Him,

Bob Ippel