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WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

“Give your burdens to the Lord, and he will take care of you. He will not permit the godly to slip and fall.”

Psalm 55:22

Do you know it takes the same amount of energy to worry than it takes to trust? Both worry and trust requires faith, worry believes in the worst case scenario, trust believes everything will be ok.

We're not asking you to be careless, but this week we want to invite you to be wise, to follow the recommendations from our authorities, and exercise prudence. But during this time, we want you to recognize that this whole thing is bigger than you, and there is a lot that's not under your control, and that's ok. God is in control, take a moment and read this passage again, read it to your family, read it to yourself, and rest in that truth... He will take care of you.

***This Thursday, April 9th, is the City of Houston Official Day of Prayer.**

IMPORTANT

If you have any questions, prayer requests, or concerns, please call/text 713-897-1195 or message us on [Facebook](#). Also, if your teacher or principal has not reached out to you, please let us know.

IF YOU WANT TO STAY
UPDATED THROUGH
SPRINGSPIRIT, PLEASE...

Send a text to:
81010

Text
this message:
@sspitner



COVID-19 UPDATE

The COVID-19 virus continues to be an issue affecting our community. Current regulations for social distancing have been extended through April 30th. SpringSpirit is continually assessing the situation, and we are looking forward to seeing everyone in person again once it is safe to do so. For the most updated information on our response to the Coronavirus and current programming, please refer to our website at <https://www.springspirit.org/coronavirus.html>.

For the latest information on COVID-19 cases in the U.S. and federal guidelines, please refer to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

For the most current information on the Texas specific guidelines, as well as what to do if you are sick, please refer to the Texas Health and Human Services site at <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/>.

For the most current information on the Harris County specific guidelines and local testing centers, please refer to the Harris County Public Health site at <http://publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus>.

Please follow these guidelines and stay safe!

MISC. WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Click [here](#) for a message about Holy Week!

Baseball and softball will begin sending workouts thru Remind so the kids can stay in shape. We are asking them to do the workouts and tag us on social media to show off their skills!

Click [here](#) to see the SBISD food distribution schedule and pickup locations.

To sign up for phone, text and email alerts from SBISD, click [here](#).

For information on extending State benefits, click [here](#).

East Spring Branch Food Pantry, 7901 Westview, behind Holy Cross Lutheran Church, will hold a Food Fair (fresh produce) on Saturday, April 11 from 8am to 11am. Attendees should bring their own large basket (like a laundry basket) or cart on wheels.

Monday: *Face Mask Challenge*. Be creative and use what you have at home to make your own facemask. Don't forget to share with us via social media!

Tuesday: High School Leadership Team @ 7:00 pm with Said Perez (<https://zoom.us/j/134414430?pwd=NDNXck85NXY0cWFOMHJiS1FhVndLdz09>)

Wednesday: Scavenger Hunt @ 7:00 pm with Juan Ramirez (<https://zoom.us/j/385985559?pwd=cnQ0NkZsczZleExuWkR5UktFTzJKUT09>)

Thursday: Pray Room @ 9:30 am with Ana Mendoza(<https://zoom.us/j/204201847?pwd=cXZsb1p5UGhHRy9Wd05tT04vbmFkQT09>)

Friday: Ministry Message with David Balyeat (Instagram and Facebook)

Saturday: *Let the Kids Play Challenge*. Send us a picture/video or tag us on social media of your kids playing their favorite sport.

Sunday: *Parents Challenge*. Send us a picture/video or tag us on social media of you either pitching, batting, throwing, catching, or kicking a ball with your kids.

EDUCATION

Elementary Parents:

- Our partner Spring Branch ISD is providing weekly suggested reading for students. Click [here](#) to have access to the suggested books, all of which are available free online.
- SBISD students: Beginning the week of April 20, self-study paper packets will be mailed to your home address for each child grades PK-5 as SBISD discontinues their drive-thru packet pickup process.

Junior Parents: SpringSpirit staff is working to contact you or your junior student to talk about online college planning platforms we are going to start utilizing. Keep an eye out for one of our staff members to connect with you or your student.

DIGITAL LEARNING

Use the links below to find the elearning resource page for your district.

SBISD

For more information, go to <https://www.springbranchisd.com/studentsfamilies/digitalbackpack>



HISD

For more information, go to <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/180154>



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HOME-BASED ONGOING
MOBILE EDUCATION

CY-FAIR ISD

For more information, go to <https://www.cfsid.net/en/parents-students/health/coronavirus/learning-home>



Our high schoolers are not only working on their digital backpack school work, but are also setting aside time to apply for college scholarships.

INTERNET HELP



To enter the lottery for free computers in Harris County, go to <https://www.compudopt.org/covid>

To find free/low cost internet and computers by zipcode, go to <https://www.everyoneon.org/find-offers>

MEET THE STAFF

Rachel Owens



Biggest pet peeve: Bad writing. My mother was an English teacher.

Favorite hometown activity: I grew up in the military and moved every 1-2 years so I don't have a hometown

Famous person that I'd like to meet: Jesus/Kate Middleton (for very different reasons obviously)

Favorite SpringSpirit memory: Our first Board meeting when every person stood up, introduced themselves and explained why they were supporting SpringSpirit. We didn't have a facility or a community following yet, but that's when I knew this was something special.



Q: What's the most recent show that you've binge watched?

A: Tiger King (and I am ashamed)

Q: When was the last time you were hopelessly lost?

A: Pretty much anytime I get in my car if my GPS doesn't work. I still use GPS when driving to/from SpringSpirit.

Q: If a genie came out of a lamp while shopping at an antique store, one of my three wishes would be:

A: for someone to cook every meal for me and my family

Q: What was super cool when you were young but definitely isn't now?

A: Jellies, Swatch watches, big hair ...pretty much everything I grew up with. Still waiting for it to all come back.



Q: If you could only eat one flavor of ice cream for the rest of your life, which flavor would you choose?

A: Chocolate, always

Q: If animals could talk, which would be the rudest?

A: My cat, Tigger. We already know that he's a jerk, but we love him anyway.