





Praying the Headlines

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful in what it can achieve." —James 5:16



Let us pray.



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*The Lord is my shepherd. I lack nothing.
He lets me rest in grassy meadows;
he leads me to restful waters;
he keeps me alive . . .*

*Even when I walk through the darkest valley
I fear no danger because you are with me.*

Psalms 23:1-4





*Almighty God,
ever-present, life-giving shepherd,
neither the needs nor the triumphs of your people
take you by surprise.*

*As we lift our prayers to you,
we trust in your comfort, goodness,
guidance and strength.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*





We pray for the world.



Coronavirus: European virus hotspots see record lows in numbers of new cases

France, Italy and Spain register their lowest daily death tolls for weeks, while in New Zealand, Monday brought zero new cases.



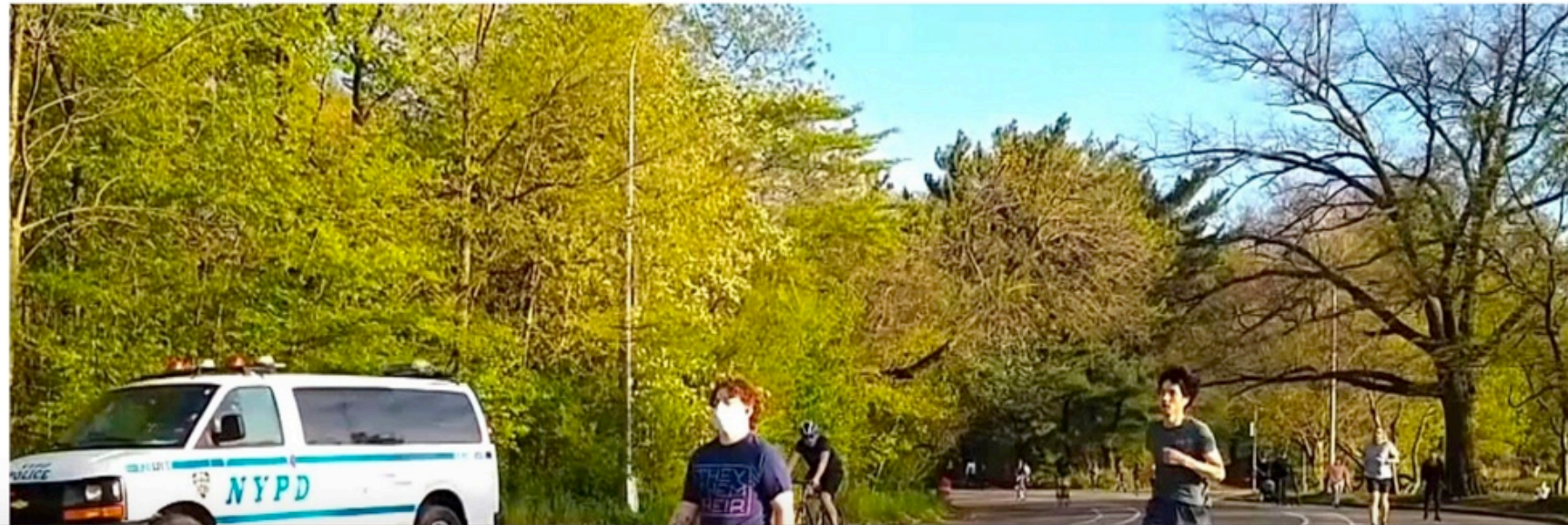
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COVID-19

CORONAVIRUS



Germany to set out rules for religious services including singing ban

Angela Merkel to meet with state leaders over safely conducting services during pandemic

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▲ Worshippers pray on Easter Sunday at St Matthias Catholic church in Berlin. Photograph: Omer Messinger/EPA

Germany is to set out guidelines for holding religious services during the coronavirus pandemic with a list of strict restrictions expected to include a ban on singing.



"The virus is now in Yemen," and there's little left in the war-torn country to stop it.

BY AMJAD TADROS
MAY 4, 2020 / 9:38 AM / CBS NEWS



Amman, Jordan – Only 10 coronavirus infections and two related deaths have been reported in war-torn Yemen to date, but there's mounting fear that COVID-19 is poised to wreak havoc on a country that was already struggling with a humanitarian catastrophe before the pandemic.

"The virus is now in Yemen and may quickly spread," Lise Grande, United Nations Humanitarian Coordinator for Yemen, said in a statement late last week. "The factors are all here: Low levels of general immunity, high levels of acute vulnerability, and a fragile, overwhelmed health system."

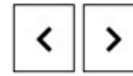




We pray for the Church.



More than \$400,000 so far raised for small churches at risk during COVID-19



COVID-19 Shutdowns Are Shifting Seminary Education

With layoffs at Fuller and Southern, theological schools navigate financial pressures to keep training “spiritual responders.”

KATE SHELLNUTT | APRIL 23, 2020 5:14 PM



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Few Americans say their house of worship is open, but a quarter say their faith has grown amid pandemic

BY CLAIRE GECEWICZ



A religious leader greets parishioners arriving for Easter worship in Florida. In order to observe social distancing guidelines, members of the congregation met in the parking lot and watched a Facebook Live streaming of the service taking place inside the church. (Joe Raedle via Getty Images)

The **COVID-19 pandemic**, which has transformed virtually every aspect of public life in America, also has touched a very intimate part of Americans' lives: their religious faith and worship habits.





We pray for the helpers.





METRO

Distressed coronavirus frontline workers flood mental health hotline

By Sara Dorn

May 2, 2020 | 3:55pm



An EMS worker transports a patient to Bronx-Lebanon Hospital in The Bronx.





"Spiritual First Responders:" How Hospital Chaplains are Playing a Crucial Role During COVID-19

While national attention is rightfully focused on medical professionals serving on the front lines of COVID-19 in hospitals, hospital chaplains are also serving alongside them, providing pastoral care to health care workers and bridging the gap between patients and families. [Read More](#)



CORONAVIRUS LONG ISLAND

Long Island nurses gather on break to sing uplifting songs



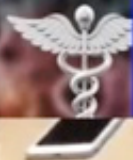
By Eyewitness News

Saturday, April 25, 2020



CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

NURSES FROM LONG ISLAND JEWISH HOSPITAL HOLD SING-ALONGS





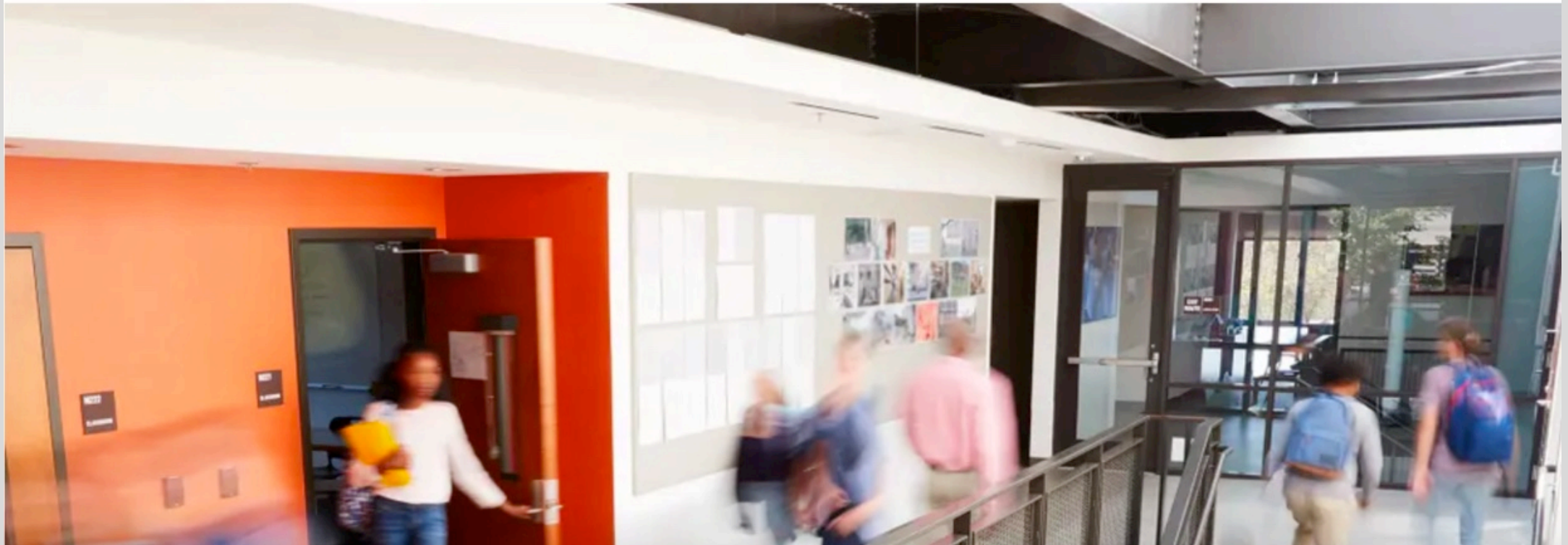
We pray for our community.



The grief teenagers and young people are experiencing is profound – please don't minimise it

The good news is that the environment can and does shape our brains at this stage of development and there is an inherent adaptability at play, writes **Lauretta Cundy**

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Nikhil Stewart, left, stands behind his friend Satyamuny Weir as he works on his community project in front of Wilson High School in Long Beach Wednesday, April 22, 2020. Weir is having community members write letters to seniors who cannot visit family right now due to the coronavirus pandemic. Photo by Thomas R. Cordova.

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Meet the Wilson High student uplifting seniors by sending them letters during quarantine





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Thanks to this sweet corner of the neighborhood for coming outside their front doors for a 30 minute social-distancing music set. It was good to see you from a distance (six feet a part-in family groups) and sit together in the sunshine for awhile. Stay safe.





We now invite you to offer your personal prayer requests to the Lord.





*Yes, goodness and faithful love
will pursue me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the Lord's house forever.*

Psalm 23:6



Go in peace.





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*“Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good,
because his faithful love endures forever.”*

—Psalm 107:1



