

Brothers and sisters,

We have spent much time in discussion and prayer as we evaluate the circumstances of our current culture. There is a lot of strong feelings as to what is right for churches in following the guidelines of assembly. I am a firm believer that we should obey God's Word over man's however, that does not mean that we should disregard or act unwisely because we think we are protected by God. God's Word says to walk circumspectly;

[Eph 5:15](#) Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,

[Eph 5:16](#) making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

We are challenged in these days to forsake not the gathering of ourselves together while obeying the guidelines put out by our President. In light of that we will have to operate differently for at least the near future while still encouraging you in every way possible. Here are the plans for our church for this week March 22 and most likely next week March 29;

1. Prayer Vigil

- a. It is as important as ever for us to Pray!
- b. Please be in prayer during the vigil 7pm tonight – 7pm tomorrow night.
- c. Fast during this time if you are physically able too.
- d. Come to the church for your prayer time if possible.
- e. Contact me for your scheduled prayer time if you don't know it.

2. Service on Sunday morning will not be open to the public

- a. I will broadcast the service on a YouTube channel tomorrow morning at 9am

3. The service will be available on Facebook (go to the church Facebook page)

4. Audio and video recordings can be delivered to homes as requested. (call the church office for a copy)

5. There will not be any Sunday school classes or AWANA meeting on Sunday.

Small Group gatherings

Small group rooms will be sanitized before and after each use.

6. We will meet in small groups where possible.

- a. Sunday evening men's and women's group will continue
- b. Wednesday night study group will continue
- c. Thursday morning prayer will continue
- d. Thursday night men's small group will continue.
- e. Please do NOT attend any of these if you are sick or have a compromised immune system.

7. Online Study - I have been and will continue posting scripture challenges and discussion topics on Facebook, please join in the discussion.

8. Use this time to grow, memorize a passage of scripture, or books of the Bible. Study the passages being used in Sunday School class, or do a deeper study on the sermon series in James. (all of the James Sermons are online)

9. Giving is important to the church and the supported ministries. Tithes and offerings may be mailed to the church office or given online through the church app

10. Church is different right now and we are learning as we go. Please stay connected as a church through the small groups, or online discussions. We will learn from this and plan to upgrade our digital capabilities to be better prepared in the future.

Please help spread the word to our church family. We will continue to evaluate the conditions and make decisions that best meet the needs of our congregation. If you have a need during this time please call me and I will coordinate the appropriate help for you.

God Bless You Today

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