



March 18, 2020

Friends and Family of The River Church,

The last week has been incredible as we are seeing our communities shaken in ways unprecedented in our time.

I thank God for our church membership. Though I pray continually for you, this morning I spent considerable time and energy praying a hedge of protection over you and your household; body and mind. That the Lord would keep you in perfect health, and that your faith would increase in these times of uncertainty.

Thank you for your patience regarding plans for the days ahead. Our plans are subject to change based on any new developments or directives from governmental authorities.

This Sunday, March 22nd, ***we will not have services*** as usual at The River.

- **10AM – 11:15: Prayer Meeting**

This will be a time of worship and prayer, as we seek the Lord and intercede for our communities. The meeting will not be publicly televised in any capacity. **Church Members may request access if it is available.**

- There will be no preservice activities, no kids ministries, no food served.
- We will honor the directives of local and state government, which currently limit public gatherings to 25 per space by opening additional spaces in our facility as necessary.
- We will practice and strongly encourage safe distancing. Ample hand sanitizer is available.

Take precautions: If you are sick, appear sick or have a compromised immune system, please stay home. If you are concerned about exposure, please stay home... but pray!

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Connect with me on Facebook:

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Notices:

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Stay Faithful:

As stated in previous communications,

"I believe there is a fervency of faith that we are called to. The church is to be the Church in times of crisis. We should pull together in worship and prayer, as we engage God and intercede for the power of God to end this pandemic, shield our vulnerable, and restore this nation to strength and health."

Lastly, please look out for friends and neighbors who may need to be looked in on, particularly the elderly, the ill and the alone.

"But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

~ 1 Corinthians 15:57-58

Love and Blessings,
Pastor David



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