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"A Letter to The River"

Dear River Family & Friends,

2020 is off to an incredible start in the life of our church. We are already averaging 150+ people every week on campus, we just finished 3 awesome series, Deep & Wide, Relationship Goals and almost done with Nehemiah. We have the JUMP series in April, Easter weekend with an incredible speaker lined up, and a two month study in May & June on "Fruit of The Spirit".

But, there is an impending sense of fear in our culture, as we wait to see how the COVID-19 (Corona virus) continues to affect our future. We are praying for the many people, communities, and nations that have already been deeply affected by COVID-19 (Coronavirus). We are also praying for those who are working to stop its spread. We are specifically praying that our God who heals, would put His healing hand on all who have come in contact with this virus and anyone feeling anxious during this time of uncertainty.

We know that you may have some concerns, so we want to make you are aware of the precautions we are implementing in order to maintain the health and safety of our church. Much of this is what we already practice diligently on a weekly basis, but with some additional precautions during this time of heightened awareness.

We will listen, obey and follow the advice of national authorities as it relates to our church safety and meeting times.

Our current response is... ***"Unless we are ordered by the authorities to shut our doors for medical reasons, The River will continue to meet on Sundays and River Youth will meet on Wednesdays."***

RIVER YOUTH

However, please note that River Youth will NOT meet during SPRING BREAK.

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT ON SUNDAYS?

- We ask **volunteers** to **greet** everyone at the door with a **wave** rather than shaking hands.
- We ask all our volunteers to **use sanitizer to wipe down shared surfaces** before and after each service.
- **We WILL provide coffee.**
- **We will NOT serve food or snacks until things change.**

SHOULD YOU ATTEND OR STAY HOME?

- Please ***ONLY*** stay home if you are not feeling well.
- Please keep your child home if they have a fever or other flu/cold symptoms.

YOU CAN WATCH ONLINE...

- If you choose to stay home, we'd love for you to join our service online:
 - [Watch online here](#) (online site)
 - www.facebook.com/riverks (with Facebook live)
 - www.riverks.com/watch (our website)

YOU CAN GIVE ONLINE...

- We will continue to pass our offering baskets during our Sunday Services, but we **recommend** that you begin, or please continue to GIVE online:
 - [Give online here](#)
 - www.riverks.com/donate

FROM OUR ELDERS AND LEADERS...

Our Elder and Leadership Team team are already discussing the above measures and will continue to monitor what additional steps might need to be implemented in the future. We will also continue to follow guidance from local and national authorities on appropriate next steps and any necessary precautions our church should take.

We appreciate your partnership in maintaining the health and safety of our church family. Any new information will be communicated promptly to you.

We are making these preparations not out of a spirit of fear, but out of wisdom, planning, and a sound mind.

We love you, and we are praying for you!

Rusty Sizemore, Pastor
Elders & Leadership