



Monday Morning Missive

Good morning, church. Since some of you have not yet received your copy of the letter I sent last Thursday concerning our return to worship services on campus, I am sending it out in my Monday Morning Missive. If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail or call me or any member of our Leadership Team. This Team was formed when we adopted our new Bylaws for the purpose of guiding our church in the areas of planning and programming. The team consists of all ministerial staff, Chair of Deacons (Chuck Ledbetter), Chair of Finance (Linda McGuirt), Chair of Building and Grounds (Jimmy Peoples), Sunday School Director (Joel Roach), WMU Director (Linda Kilgore), Chair of Missions Committee (Tera Dennis), Men's Ministry Director (Kevin Hall), Chair of

Personnel (Mike Kelley). Following is the exact letter that I mailed out last Thursday.

Dear Church Family,

I hope that you are as excited as I am to know that we will soon be worshipping together in our sanctuary. Our online services have been great, but there is something about being physically gathered in one place for worship that changes everything. Your Church Leadership Team has met and approved a plan to start back on-campus worship on May 31, 2020. For now, we will only meet for worship. Sunday School and Prayer Meeting will continue to be online only, and we are encouraging our Sunday School classes and Small Groups to go ahead and make plans for online meetings because it will probably be August (at the earliest) when we will be able to return to those activities. If you need help setting that up, let us know and we will be glad to walk you through the process.

I am enclosing [a chart](#) (click on the link to view) that will outline how we are going to make this happen. We ask that you study this carefully and honor these guidelines for the health and safety of all. Our desire is to do everything possible to make sure that no one catches this virus because of anything that we do. Please be patient with us and pray for us as we make these baby steps back to a semblance of normalcy.

Let me hit a few of the highlights of this plan:

- There will be 3 worship services on Sunday morning. Our 8:00 service will be for our High Risk Population in the sanctuary. Our 9:15 service will be for families with children in the Fellowship Hall. Our 10:30 service will be for everyone else. All areas will be sanitized following each service.**
- We will NOT have a nursery or children's church, and there will be NO access to our children's areas.**

- **We will be limiting our services to 90 people each so that we can maintain 6 feet of social distancing, and seating will be restricted to every other pew.**
- **Entry and exit will be ONLY through the front doors of the sanctuary (Tallassee Street) where we will do a temperature scan on everyone who enters.**
- **We are asking that if at all possible you refrain from using the restrooms on campus.**
- **We encourage everyone to wear face coverings as much as possible.**

Additional information is available on the enclosed chart that describes each phase of our Pandemic Return Plan, but for now, focus on Phase A. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

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