

## A Sample Statement for Your Church of Membership Regarding COVID-19 Crisis

Hello Church Family,

Considering our country's current focus on contagious infections, specifically COVID-19 (Corona Virus), we wanted to reach out to you to let you know of precautions we, as a church, are taking to help safeguard the health of our congregation.

In our church buildings:

- There is hand sanitizer located throughout the church
- There is foaming antibacterial soap in our restrooms
- We are disinfecting door handles and other commonly touched areas daily
- We are continuing to clean and disinfect our preschool and children's areas after each use
- Children's and Preschool check-in areas will have a Kids worker manning our check-in computers to check-in our children instead of having parents and children touching the computers to check-in

We are staying informed by way of the Center for Disease Control.

We encourage individuals to stay healthy which will help keep others around us healthy and:

- Wash your hands regularly with soap (for the length of the song "Happy Birthday" for example)
- Greet each other with something other than a handshake or hug, such as fist bumps or elbows
- Cover your mouth with the inside of your elbow when coughing or sneezing (not your hands)
- Stay home if you are feeling sick OR you have family members in the home with a contagious illness

If you are not able to join us on Sunday mornings, for whatever reason, the following are available:

**(Insert Your Church website here)** has past sermons available. This page also gives instructions for other places our sermons can be accessed.

**(Insert Facebook page here!)** we will have our services available via facebook live.

Remember, the needs of our church and the missionaries we support continue every day. We encourage all our members to give faithfully.

You have two options on giving:

**(Insert your church's website here!)** has access to online giving for your tithes and offerings.

**(Insert your text to give number here!)** you can also text a gift from your mobile device.

**(Insert the church address here)** you also have the opportunity to mail a donation to the church.

We currently **(do or do not)** offer video or streaming of our Sunday service but are looking into ways that may be possible if it becomes necessary for our congregation to access our Sunday worship.

As this health situation continues to unfold, please pay attention to our two main methods of communication—email and Facebook. We will also post any major updates on the website.

We care deeply for the health and wellbeing of all who worship with us at **(Your church name here)** and our surrounding communities. We are praying and caring for those who are ill, and all who are working in our communities to do their best to help keep us safe and informed. As always, if you or your family are ill, please let us know so that we can pray for you and minister to your needs.