

Love God Love People



Dear Legacy Family,

No doubt these are unprecedented times and there hasn't been a day that has gone by that each of us hasn't stepped back and wondered what is real and what is fake and what comes next. I pray that none of us experience anything like this again in our lives.

As a staff, we have been discussing and meeting trying to figure out how to best navigate what church looks like while we have strong suggestions and borderline orders not to gather in groups. At this time, we cannot have service in our space at Ideal Community Center for the foreseeable future. On the surface, this creates several challenges and means that we need to redefine what service looks like each week.

We have committed to delivering the best online experience that we can each Sunday until we are able to meet as a group once again. Keep in mind, that none of us are experts and there will be a great learning curve as to how we best accomplish this and what platform is best for us to be able to reach the widest audience we can. For the time being, we will be utilizing Facebook Live on our Legacy Church MN Facebook page. If you have not already liked our page, please do so to make certain that you are able to catch our message each week as well as great updates and uplifting messages throughout the week. We also have a You Tube channel that you can find a great deal of content on and our goal is to get each week's message on that channel as soon as we are able.

In challenging times such as these, it is easy to be super vigilant in protecting your family and household and we should be prudent and do so. Jesus, however, challenges us to look after the poor, the widow, the orphan and those that cannot care for themselves. We have a tremendous opportunity to go out into the world and do just that. If you are someone that has a need such as childcare, help shopping, meals, a ride somewhere or anything else, please let us know. If you are someone who wants to do all that you can to help all of those around you, we want to know that as well. There are some among us that have already stepped up to assist and some that have voiced concerns and we want you to know that it's ok! If you fall into either category, I encourage you to reach out to Pastor Brian at bw.legacychurch@gmail.com and he will connect you with those that can fill your needs or with those that have needs that we can fill. If nothing else, take the time to look around you and do what you can to help your neighbor, remembering that your neighbor is anyone that has a need which you can fill.

In the early days of the church, Paul and the other church leaders met as small groups in the homes of young believers. We have a chance before us to do the same in these moments and experience the intimacy that the early church also experienced. We encourage those of you who live near one another to gather for fellowship Sunday mornings, if you feel comfortable doing so, and listen to the message that we will deliver. Pray, break bread, share life together. This is what the church is meant to be. Never has there been a time where we have had a greater reminder that church is not a building.

Easter is on the horizon and we desperately hope and pray that we will be able to have a grand service at Ideal Community Center with an awesome message, a baptism, child dedication, an egg hunt for the children, and a meal that we can share in community. If we are not able to, know that we will still deliver an awesome message in worship of a God that is greater than us. He rose from the grave and we shall rise from this event!

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

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