

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

BridgeWay Community Church

3/13/2020

BridgeWay Family,

We value your safety. We are closely watching the situation in our country and region the past several days. We are consistently seeking input from our District and Government agencies regarding gathering on our campuses.

We seek to make wise choices and not be swayed by fears. We are aware of potential issues that may arise over the next several weeks and we want to be good stewards of our community and families. Below is our current plan and recommendation:

If you are sick in any way...please stay home and watch online. Your wellness and that of others in our congregation is very important to us. Share your prayer concerns with our office and we will commit to praying for you by name to our loving Heavenly Father.

If you are elderly...it may be safer for the next couple of weeks to watch our services online. Your health can be potentially compromised unknowingly and we want to give you the best chance at success physically that we can. Church friends please pray for and check in on our elderly during this time. This is a wonderful moment to care for the other.

In our Church facilities...

1. For the next month, we are asking everyone to limit physical contact with one another through exchanging Air High Five's and respectful bowing to one another *instead of* hugs, handshakes, elbow bumps or high-fives. Bowing to one another in some cultures is a way of saying I see the incarnate Christ in you. It is a beautiful way to greet others and bestow value on them.
2. We have added multiple brand new stations of hand sanitizers across our campuses for you to use throughout your times worshipping at BridgeWay.
3. We are thoroughly wiping down all surfaces and using our cleaning supplies even more earnestly than normal. Our goal is to sterilize as many

areas as we possibly can. If you would like to “Say Yes” to our cleaning team let us know at office@bwcc.tv. We clean the children’s areas each week from top to bottom. We spray down the toys and wipe down the surfaces with disinfectant. Every week cleanliness is important to us.

4. We always provide soaps and towels to wash your hands in the bathrooms at our campuses. We highly suggest washing hands longer than normal during this season. Count to 30 or sing your ABC’s while washing your hands to make sure you took the time to be thorough for yourself and for others.
5. We do not anticipate any of our service gatherings over the weekend to be over 250 people at any given time. This will keep us compliant with state recommendations at this time.
6. Online viewing can be done at www.bwcc.tv or watch on our Facebook or Youtube page. We love the opportunity to connect with you even when you aren’t able to be physically present.
7. You may also give tithes and offerings online at <https://bwcc.tv/giving>. If you are attending a service and want to give, we will have offering buckets at the front and the back this weekend. We will not be passing the offering buckets through the rows during the service the rest of this month. Your faithful gifts during these times is valuable in our ongoing mission of connecting people to Jesus Christ, each other and God’s purposes for their lives.

2 Timothy 1:7 NLT “For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.”

We choose to live in the Spirit of Power, Love and Self-Discipline. We truly look forward to worshiping with you and ministering to your families during this memorable time in history. God is with us! He goes before us, He surrounds us and He goes beside us...we are not alone.

BridgeWay Family YOU are prayed for and loved!

Pastor Michael Downs and your entire Pastoral Staff