**The Plan for Reopening Prayer and Praise**

Our number one goal in reopening Prayer and Praise is to reopen in a way that is pleasing to the Lord and safe for our members. We are continuing to evaluate the data and pray concerning God’s perfect timing for the first service. We will let you know the date as soon as the final decision has been made.

We will begin by only having Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary with social distancing seating and other safety measures in place. The services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and last approximately an hour.

We urge those of you who have pre-existing conditions, symptoms of illness, or are not feeling well to refrain from attending the services for your own health and the well-being of others. (We will continue to provide online messages from Pastor Baker each week.) Those who attend the services will have their temperature taken at the door. The Governor’s guidelines encourage everyone to consider wearing a face mask. Anyone with a temperature above 99.5 will not be allowed in the building.

The building will be cleaned and disinfected prior to and after every worship service. The ushers will oversee the main sanctuary doors before, during, and after the service. They will be in the foyer with hand sanitizer for everyone to use as they enter the building.

The sanctuary chairs have has been reconfigured for social distancing. Volunteers or ushers will seat you when you enter the sanctuary. Please be patient and help us by sitting where you are directed.

There will be an offering plate on the table in the back of the sanctuary in which to place tithes and offerings when you enter or leave. It will not be passed from person to person.

We won’t have communion for the first few services until we get used to the new routine. On the Sundays when we have communion, there will be trays in the foyer where you may pick up your own individual, sealed, pre-packaged container holding the communion wafers and juice. (We ask parents to pick up the elements for their children and keep them until time for communion.) There will be containers at the end of each row of chairs in which to place the trash when communion is over.

The upstairs bathrooms will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized before the service each week. Only 1 person at a time will be allowed into each bathroom. Everyone is asked to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds before exiting the bathroom.

When the service is over, people will be dismissed in groups at different times in order to limit contact with others. Please understand, we cannot congregate or stand in the sanctuary, foyer, or restrooms without violating the guidelines we need to respect in order to keep meeting. We must also refrain from handshaking and hugging.

**No Other Meetings until Further Notice**

Until further notice, there will be no other meetings or activities upstairs or downstairs at Prayer and Praise. This includes Women of Fire, Sunday Night Prayer Meeting, Bible Training, Nursery, Kingdom Kids, Crossfire Youth, Friday Night Fun, Men’s Ministry, Women of Destiny, and fellowship activities.

**Thank You**

We would like to thank all of you in advance for helping us make our church reopening go as smoothly and safely as possible. If we all work together and put others first, we can enjoy worshipping together and still stay well and healthy.