

Ministry Continuity For 2020

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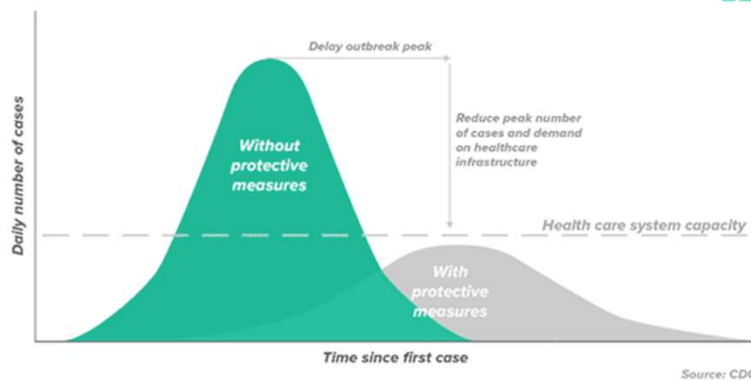


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The Current Situation– As it impacts Ministry

Ministry operations have been impacted as we've been asked/required to adjust as local authorities attempt to 'flatten the curve'.

Flattening the curve



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The Current Situation– As it impacts Ministry

- Events with more than 250 people gathered may be shut down
- CDC has recommended events with 50 or more be postponed or cancelled.
- Schools have been closed
- Bay Area 'Shelter in Place'
- Los Angeles has closed restaurants/bars/entertainment venues/workout facilities
- Congregants have been self quarantining in homes
- Children are out of school with parents struggling to find childcare
- Our community is becoming more and more isolated
- Ministries are looking for ways to serve

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What this isn't:

Legal Advice
Medical Advice
A replacement for working with local authorities

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What this is:

Overview of various ministry continuity plans for churches, schools, colleges and mission sending organizations during the Coronavirus Pandemic

Introduction to screening resources developed by ChurchWest
An ever-evolving 'one stop shop' for all things Coronavirus as it impacts ministries

Development of actionable guides for ministry continuity

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Putting Feet on the Faith

'I heard tell of a church back in Indiana that's actually no longer having services until April 10th, but in the meantime they'll be offering daycare to the children of healthcare workers in Central Indiana. And churches all across the country are taking the opportunity to reach out and put feet on their faith, and it's truly inspiring.'

– Vice President Mike Pence



Source:
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/remarks-president-trump-vice-president-pence-members-coronavirus-task-force-press-briefing-2/>

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Putting Feet on the Faith

Yes, Mr. Vice President, but...

- Will there be a charge?
- Will these people be screened?
- Will they be trained?
- What have local health officials said?
- What's the cleaning protocol?
- Screen parents as they drop off kids?
- Isolating kids if any symptoms appear?
- Process of notifying workers/parents if a child (or someone in their home) was potentially exposed?

ChurchWest wants to partner with you as you put feet on the faith by helping you develop protocols

And yes, we'll share these with other ministries on www.churchwest.com/coronavirus

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The Bay Area Guidelines for Childcare

Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this order to work as permitted. To the extent possible, childcare facilities must operate under the following mandatory conditions:

- Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day).
- Children shall not change from one group to another.
- If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other.
- Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.

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As you develop a new way to serve...

- Check with local authorities about how you'd like to serve and get their thoughts
- Send us an overview of the new ministry including what plans you have for managing it
- We'll send it to Legal for their input
- You'll receive a response with risk management advice from an attorney

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Sheltering Those Experiencing Homelessness

Bay Area's 'Shelter in Place' and homeless individuals should obtain shelter. But...799 people are on the waitlist.

If a church feels called to provide temporary shelter:

- Capacity?
- Areas?
- Keeping Records?
- Emergency Procedures?
- Who will monitor activities?
- Food Prep?
- Sterilization?
- 6 Foot Radius???
- What if someone does come down with coronavirus?
- Checking with Local Authorities?
- Is your church equipped to serve this community safely?
- Should you take a special offering to fund other shelter?

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The Cutler Group

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'Shelter in Place' for a church...

- All public & private gatherings of any number of people outside of a single household/living unit are banned.
- All travel (including car/public transit) is banned except for essential activities
- Stay six feet away from people
- Employers must take all steps needed to allow workers to work from home to the extent possible

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Essential Activities (as relates to the church)

Providing food, shelter, social services and necessities of life for the needy
Food can't be eaten at the church...it must be prepared for takeaway
Schools that are facilitating distance learning

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Ministry Continuity that Takes Little Planning:

- Financial counseling services
- Prayer-line phone or chat staffed by pastors and volunteers
- Food collection and partner distribution
- Small groups meeting in homes for shared worship
- Blessing bags/book bags or entertainment treat kits for kids in homes (delivered and dropped off)
- Facebook small groups for fellowship and community
- Errands/outdoor chores for those that are homebound
- 6 foot apart by 6 people taking walks outdoors (6x6)
- Online activities for kids-have someone who is a teacher/mom generating a daily post
- Drive-in Church services

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Drive In Church



Not 100% sure what DHHS Says about this



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Planning Foreign Missions– Insurance

Must have been purchased prior to January 21, 2020
 Trip cancellation due to fear of contracting an illness is not covered
 Quarantine expense, not covered if purchased after 1.20.2020
 Direct medical expenses, may be covered
 Tour operator cancelled a trip...not covered

<https://www.faithventures.com/coronavirus-information/>

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When you Encounter a Coronavirus Scare:

In partnership with MedCall Healthcare Advisors, we are launching a Coronavirus (COVID-19) screening and accountability resource for churches, universities, schools, camps, missions and special event organizers to assist ministries in navigating the many obstacles associated with this Pandemic.



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The Process




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 98% are advised not at risk and can download a transcript of the screening
 Those at risk will have the option to immediately connect via telephone/video conference to a Physician that is Board Certified in Emergency Medicine and is trained to address COVID-19 pandemic to complete a Covid-19 evaluation and medical consultation. One time charge of \$105.


Those advised by the screening Physician to be tested for COVID-19 will be given an order from the Physician authorizing the test and you will be directed to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) office in your county for instructions on where to go to be tested.

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The Process



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- This process can prevent those who may have been exposed or exhibiting symptoms from infecting others by going into public places or seeking medical attention at random hospitals, urgent care centers or doctor's offices.
- The MedCall/ChurchWest program operates in connection with the Center of Disease and Control (CDC). Personal information and medical data collected is NOT sold or shared. *Number of screenings and geographical region of the screening is communicated to CDC to assist them in their education and containment of the virus.
- As a service to ministries, we are providing unlimited access to the MedCall/ChurchWest screening process through the MedCall/ChurchWest landing page.
- If you would like to set up your own landing page for your individual ministries and have access to use the MedCall/ChurchWest screening resource specifically for your church to screen employees, vendors, school attendees, camp attendees, special event attendees or just worshiper safety, please send your request to info@ChurchWest.com for additional details.

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Dealing with Elevated Coronavirus Exposures

If a congregant is concerned that they may have contracted the virus
 Screening students coming back to school
 Screening students coming back to dorms
 Open to members of your congregation
 Screening Your Staff



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Recap:

- Ministry is going to be different for months to come
- As you plan new activities, please come to us for a legal review
- First step is to follow local laws and health department guidelines
- If you aren't already impacted by 'Shelter in Place', start preparing now.
- Attend tomorrow's webinar addressing immediate HR issues
- Utilize www.medcalladvisors.com/churchwest screening
- Check back to www.churchwest.com/coronavirus for updates and ministry guidelines.

Prepare for the worst, pray for the best.



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