



First Evangelical Church of San Gabriel Valley

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To: Brothers and sisters of FECSGV & HOA Family

From: Joshua Cheng, Senior Pastor

RE: COVID-19 Coronavirus Prevention Efforts (Update 3.15.2020)**

Important: The following measures are in place immediately through the end of March 2020

On March 11, 2020, the California Department of Public Health issued a new Gathering Guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus (www.cdph.ca.gov), which recommends that: (a) large gathering with attendance over 250 people should be postponed or canceled; (b) Smaller gatherings should allow social distancing of 6 feet per person; (c) Gathering of individual who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10 people. In compliance with this guidance, the church has decided to implement the following precautionary measures regarding church gatherings effective now through the end of March 2020:

- Sunday worship services:** Starting this Sunday, March 15, worship services of Cantonese Congregation (9:30 AM-11:00 AM) and Mandarin Congregation (11:15 AM – 12:45 PM) will stream online at church website: www.fecsgv.org. Worship services of Connections (9:30 PM – 11:00 AM) and House of Abundance (5:00 PM-6:30 PM) will stream online starting next Sunday, March 22. ***Congregants can choose either to attend the above worship services at church or watch live streaming at home.***
- Sunday School Classes:** While Connections and Youth's Sunday School classes will continue at church, Sunday School classes of all other congregations and House of Abundance will be suspended in March.
- Small Group/Fellowship Gathering:** While Connections & Youth will continue their small groups gathering, small group/fellowship gathering of all other congregations and House of Abundance will be suspended in March. We encourage them to have online meetings during this period of time.
- Happiness Groups:** Happiness Groups of Mandarin Congregation, Cantonese Congregation and House of Abundance will be suspended in the 1st half of 2020.
- Prayer Meeting:** Mandarin Congregation, Cantonese Congregation, Connections and House of Abundance will continue their prayer meetings but will take precautionary measures.
- Online Giving:** To support the church's ministries for the advancement of God's kingdom and glory, you can do online giving by going to our church online giving website: <http://www.fecsgv.org/enu/main.aspx>, specify your congregation and offering type, click "Donate", then enter donation information and the amount that you want to donate. If you want to make a fixed amount monthly donation, you can check "Make this a monthly donation" box. If you have a PayPal account, you can click "Donation with PayPal" and follow the instruction therein.
- Chinese School and After School Program:** Due to COVID-19, March 14 is the last day of our Saturday Chinese program in March. Although in-person classes were canceled; our teachers' lessons will be streamed online for students. Also, in compliance with the decision of the Rosemead School District, our After School Program will close the campus from March 16 to March 28.

Jesus told us we would experience trouble, but He also promised us that He will never leave nor forsake us. As the Church, when the world gets darker, we have the opportunity to shine brighter. We know, ***"For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline"*** 2 Tim. 1:7 (NIV)