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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We will resume worship in the building on **Sunday, June 14**, barring a major change in the Covid-19 situation in Amarillo. Since the virus remains active, it is unwise to resume our normal services.

The following important information applies as we reopen the building for worship:

**1. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Whether to attend services in the building is your decision. If you are sick, not feeling well, or in doubt, please stay home. Other considerations may include anxiety or concern about worshipping together, and the well publicized at risk categories.

You are **not** forsaking the assembly if worshipping online or at the “drive-in” service.

**2. WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES AND ACTIVITY**

We are temporarily offering two Sunday morning services to facilitate physical distancing. We are asking you to attend the service assigned alphabetically by your last name:

**A. 9:00 a.m. service: A -- H**

- At conclusion of service, please promptly exit the building to allow cleaning of the auditorium before the 10:30 a.m. service
- **If you visit with others outside, please observe social distancing**

**B. 10:30 a.m. service: I -- Z**

- Please do not enter the building before 10:20 to allow the completion of cleaning
- Please do not congregate in the foyer before or after service

**C. Both Services**

- **Communion** will be observed using individual portions which you will receive as you enter the building; no trays will be passed
- **Baskets for contributions** will be located near the entrances and exits; if you have been contributing electronically, we encourage you to continue

- Sit by family group and allow two empty seats between family groups or individuals
- We encourage all to wear a face mask that covers your nose and mouth
- Please avoid handshakes and hugs
- Drive-in services available for the 9:00am service in a dedicated area of the parking lot
- The kitchen, offices, coffee bar, and water fountains will be closed; bring bottled water if needed
- At the present time there will be no Bible classes, attended nursery, Sunday evening services, small groups, Wednesday night services, or fellowship dinners
- ***On advice of public health authorities; we encourage all attending each service to sign a record of attendance. The record will only be provided to public health authorities if a person in attendance at a service is diagnosed with the virus. The purpose of the record is to assist public health investigation and contact tracing to mitigate spread of the virus.***

We will try to accommodate you if your schedule or your family does not coincide with your alphabetical service assignment. Please call the church office and provide your name and telephone number so we will be aware of your situation.

Please know that your shepherds have been praying for God's guidance and His intervention in this pandemic, reviewing articles, watching seminars, keeping track of the daily status in Potter and Randall and neighboring counties, and reviewing the guidance issue by the CDC, as well as by state and local government. Most recently, we met with our brother Rodney Young (M.D.). We are thankful for Rodney's expertise, and for Jeff's significant assistance in this process.

We encourage your continued prayers for our church family, those who are and have been affected by the virus, and for our staff as they work toward developing and implementing plans to keep all of us as safe as possible as we begin to meet together again.

We will continue reevaluating our congregation's response to the impact of the virus on our spiritual responsibilities and the physical well-being of our members.

We appreciate each of you and your patience as we make decisions that affect all members of The Colonies. We are thankful for your prayers.

We love you,

Ken, Mike, PJ, and Russell