

June 18, 2020

Dear Peace Church Family,

We hope this letter finds all of you healthy and safe. These last several months have been a most trying time for all of us. Not being able to come to church and worship with everyone has been very hard. When we are experiencing additional stress we always feel better after attending church and bringing our issues to God, we feel a sense of comfort that things will all work out eventually. This has not been the case. We have had to alter how we worship and for some of us this has been difficult.

We want to reach out to everyone to let you know that we are doing all we can to try and resume face to face worship. On a daily basis we check the reports from the Florida Department of Health, to continually look at the Health Metrics which provide the current number of positive cases along with the guidelines and recommendations from the CDC and Presbytery. As you are well aware our numbers in Martin County are rising and to open at the present time would be irresponsible. We do not want to put anyone from our church family at risk. We have also had difficulty in obtaining all the necessary sanitizing items needed to reopen. As you can imagine that has indeed been a challenge, as everyone in restaurants, offices, churches virtually any business have all been trying to do the same. Many items are on back order with no anticipated delivery dates. At this point in time we are looking at August 23rd as our anticipated date to resume church services however this date may be subject to change pending data from Florida Department of Health, CDC and supply inventory. We are hoping that this additional time will allow us to get all the supplies needed to reopen properly.

A week before we are able to reopen you will receive a list of guidelines that will need to be followed. The Church service will be a condensed version and we ask for your patience during this time as this will be a learning process for all of us. As conditions improve with COVID adjustments will be made to enhance our church experience. In the mean time you can stay connected to Peace Church by going to our website www.peacepresbyterianchurch.org and listening to Dr. Bailey's weekly devotionals. If you have not already done so, please contact the church office at 772-288-4146 with your current phone number and email address so that you can be kept informed with all updates.

We hope this has answered some of your questions and if you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Diane Hochstuhl at 201-819-0314 or Ernie Kabath at 561-758-5638 and we will get back to you. We look forward to seeing all of you. God Bless

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