



bridge
community church

Hello Church Family,

I hope this update finds each of you well and healthy. I know for our family, we are still adjusting to life in this season but God in His grace is helping us discover a good rhythm. Our girls are starting to settle in to school at home and Shannon and I are finding ways to keep ourselves active in a healthy way. Our family still has our rough and difficult days but God continues to walk with us through those days as well. Praise God there is no mandated isolation or quarantine that can separate us from the love and presence of our Heavenly Father!

Also during this time, the leadership is continuing to do our best to monitor the situation and keep ourselves up to date with the most current information. With the information we have available to us and at the recommendation of our president, governor, and mayor, we are going to continue to **suspend all Bridge Community Church gatherings and activities**. This means **we will not be meeting on Sunday mornings** or in any community groups or small groups. This policy will remain in place till at least April 30th.

An unfortunate consequence of this decision also means that we will not be able to gather for Easter this year. This is a special day for us as a church for two reasons. First and foremost, this is a celebration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Second, it was Easter of last year that our church was launched. While this situation is less than ideal, we still have plans to celebrate both of these amazing events in very fun, unique, and practical ways! Be on the lookout for more information in the days ahead!

I also want to continue to challenge each of you to use this time to stay connected to the Lord and grow in your personal walk with Him. Make sure you are setting aside time every day to read the Bible and pray. We also have a guide for memorizing scripture as well. You can find that guide on our church's resource page here: <https://www.bridgecommunitynyc.com/resources>.

Finally, I want to challenge you to **KEEP GIVING** during this trying time. While it may seem like a difficult ask, God has challenged us to trust him by giving back to Him with what we earn. When we step out in faith and give, God has promised great blessing to us (Malachi 3:10)!

As always, we ask that you continue to pray for us as we lead. We are still trying to figure out the best way to love and serve you guys during this time. Most importantly, we know that God is in control and that He will give us the wisdom we need in this time!

I love you guys!

Michael Hill