



Life in Christ Fellowship

Sunday School – 9:15 a.m.

Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Bob Steinbrecher

March 31, 2020

Dear LICF Family,

I hope this letter finds you well. I think of you and pray for you often. Just because we can't be together physically, doesn't mean that we can't be together in love and spirit. I like what Paul says in 2 Corinthians 1: **"²Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all Comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. ⁵For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ."**

These are events we haven't experienced before, but we have each other and the Lord to bring us comfort, peace and encouragement. Don't let circumstances or events get you down or discouraged. Remember we serve an all-powerful and loving God who looks after His children.

As you are aware, we had cancelled our services for the past two weeks as a precaution to protect the health of our congregation, not because of fear, but because of our concern for our people. The Board met via ZOOM last night to discuss the upcoming services. For Christians this is a wonderful and amazing time of the year, the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Hear me, no virus or storm or anything else can change that or dampen our praise during this time.

With that said, we, as a board, have decided to follow the recommendations of the President, Governor and health officials and continue to postpone all services and activities at the church until April 30. This was not an easy decision to make since we long to be together. We long to worship the Lord and come together for Palm Sunday and Easter, but at this time it is not

the best option because of this contagion that is running rampant in our world today.

This doesn't mean that we have lost faith in the Lord. It means that we want to be good stewards of our health and do what we can to keep each other from being exposed to this sickness.

On a good note, we will still have services online including Maundy Thursday, Palm Sunday and Easter, so look forward to those links being sent to you via text or email. The gates of hell will not prevail against us!

We do plan to have the Cantata and Easter egg hunt at a later date. I am looking forward to these upcoming events.

Like many of you and other organizations, we still need funds to keep afloat. If you are able and would like to contribute, you can mail it to Life in Christ Fellowship at 500 SR 142, NE, PO Box 52, West Jefferson, OH 43162. **If you don't use the PO Box, we will not get the mail.**

We will get through this together and realize just how important we are to each other. They say distance makes the heart grow fonder and I think there is some truth to that. We don't realize how important we are to each other until we can't see each other on a regular basis. Let your love for each other grow and focus on Jesus.

If you need anything, feel free to call me (cell: 757-947-5268) or Pastor Russ (cell: 614-348-9505) or the church at the number below. The hours for the church office are Monday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We are here for you.

Blessings,

Pastor Bob

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