

March 15, 2020

Dear Peace Church Family,

We had the privilege to gather with brothers in Christ from Peace and three other Triangle-area churches for our yearly men's retreat, Thursday through Saturday morning. We had a great time of fellowship as we worshiped God in singing, praying, hearing the Word taught by our own ruling elder Don Rayno, and encouraging and supporting one another. All of us felt the weight of the stress of all that is before us because of the Coronavirus. We prayed for our churches, our families, our country, and severely impacted countries.

We also were blessed when Rick Paules, our own Peace elder, called all the Peace men together who attended the retreat for prayer Friday night. That was a sweet time praying for God to bring revival to our lives and our church and also casting our cares upon Christ who cares for us. We sensed that God met with us as we called upon the Lord with one voice to meet us as brothers in Christ.

Friday afternoon our elders made the difficult decision to cancel worship Sunday, March 15. There are many non-essential activities and events we do as Christians but assembling ourselves together for worship is something we can never easily forgo, as it reminds us of our corporate purpose to glorify God by worshipping Him as His called-out and saved people. We hope that we will soon be able to come back together in the very near future, but we will see. The health and safety of the congregation is the utmost concern of our church leadership, as is doing our part to contain any spread of the coronavirus.

We will be working to do all that we can do to build up our church family during this extraordinary time. The sermon tomorrow will be available on the website later in the morning or early afternoon. Next Sunday, livestreaming should be available.

We encourage you to worship with your family and others close to you as your conscience allows. Times like this bring us closer to the Lord and one another. We all will certainly have more time available and we encourage you to reach out to your neighbors to get to know them, if you don't already, and see if you can bring any spiritual encouragement or to meet some physical need. President Trump has called for Sunday, March 15, to be a National Day of Prayer. As the President said, throughout the history of our country Americans have turned to the Lord for help and strength during times of great crisis and need. Please take time not only tomorrow but through the coming weeks to ask the Lord to stop the spread of this virus that has disrupted the lives of millions and brought significant hardship.

Even though we may not be able to gather corporately in the very near future we are available to talk, pray with you, and visit you, to bring God's comfort and peace through His Word. Please feel free to call, text, or email us as we are eager to come alongside of you in any way during these times of trial.

Your Pastors,

Doug Domin and Ken Langley

“You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.”  
Isaiah 26:3 (ESV)