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REGATHERING COMMITMENTS

- 1. **We are committed to fervent prayer** // How we regather is very complicated, so we ask you to join us in praying daily for our leadership team and other church leaders as we make important decisions that affect the spiritual well being of the many people we care about.
- 2. We are committed to loving both our church and city // This means that we get to be like Jesus as we humbly set aside our preferences to meet the needs of others, including the most vulnerable, around us. Our aim is to bring glory to the great name of God by the example that we set to a watching world.
- 3. **We are committed to not taking any shortcuts** // As we move through the agonizingly slow process of regathering, we ask that you join us in being patient. We need to be prepared to handle the perplexity of the many issues that will come with larger gatherings. We believe that it is essential to begin regathering, but it is equally essential to do so safely and when we are fully ready to do so.

THE GOAL OF OUR COMMITMENTS

We will relentlessly pursue unity with the body of Christ during this season. We know that many of you won't agree with every decision that we make, but we believe that unity and mutual respect can be practiced in the midst of our differences. This time of not being able to gather will soon pass and when we look back on it, it will be but a blip on the radar of Morning Star's 38 years (and counting) of strong gospel ministry! We have an opportunity to show others that we are Christians by how we love one another.

GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

Because of these commitments which we believe the Lord has laid on our hearts through many weeks of prayer, we recommend:

- Elderly folks and those with compromised immune systems or other underlying health concerns stay home.
- Wearing a mask.
- Not bringing or eating food together for the first month.
- Following social distancing guidelines during fellowship, study, and other times you are together.
- Leaders: take attendance for each meeting.
- Gathering outside when possible.

The heart in all of this is to set aside our personal preferences and look to what is best for all the members of our group. When all of our group members feel listened to and cared for, we are more likely to grow in our personal walk with Jesus. Thank you for leading the way in loving people. Let's continue to lead people to pursue a Jesus-first life.

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

Please remind attenders not to come if they have these symptoms. (If you have these symptoms, cancel your gathering.)

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea

SALEM COUNSELING RESOURCES

Mid-Valley Counseling Center | 503.364.6093 2250 D Street NE, Salem Some insurance accepted.

David Wood | 503.930.6222 1638 Rock Creek Drive S, Salem Adult and Marriage. Sliding scale.

Salem Pastoral Counseling Center | 503.370.8050 Joel Nelson, Kathy Back, and others 2001 Commercial Street SE, Suite 200, Salem Some insurance accepted.

Karen VanDerWerff | 971.240.8552 Evergreen Counseling NW 680 State Street, Suite 180, Salem Insurance accepted. Sliding scale.

Denise Polacek | 503.375.0174 161 High Street SE, Suite 252, Salem Insurance accepted.

Mattie Day | 971.340.2661 Open Door Counseling 189 Liberty Street NE Suite 203A, Salem Specializing in trauma, PSTD, depression. Sliding scale.

Salem Free Counseling Clinic | 503.689.1585 1305 5th Street NE, Salem Counseling at no charge. By appointment only. Call between 9 am—1 pm, Monday—Friday.

Heather Ruddell | 503.610.6810 355 Miller Street SE, Salem Specializing in families, children, play-therapy. Sliding scale.

Kori Chancellor | 971.301.2819 355 Miller Street SE, Salem Specializing in women, first responders, trauma. Sliding scale

Bryan Hodson | 503.508.2858 355 Miller Street SE, Salem Specializing in pornography, sexual addictions, couples, troubles & difficult teens. Sliding scale

Sean McCarthy | 971.273.5093 355 Miller Street SE, Salem Specializing in teen boys—will meet on location, men. Sliding scale

MORNING STAR RESOURCES

Moring Star Church Offices 4775 27th Ave SE 503.581.2477 | www.mstar.church

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Children's Ministry

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Emotional Healing After An Abortion SaveOne Ministry Terri Nordone | saveonesalem@q.com | 503.999.6333

Prayer Chain Kaylee Beckley | kaylee@mstar.church

Giving/Accounting
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