



Dear CDA Bible Church family,

The last two months have been a whirlwind of uncertainty, hardship, and disruption of our rhythms of life, as a church family, in our community and around the globe. Our church elders and ministry staff want you to know that we love you, and have been profoundly grateful for your Christ-likeness and spirit of mercy for us and each other during these difficult days.

Our elders and ministry staff have been diligent in prayer and thoughtful consideration as we've developed a pathway for re-opening the church, which we are calling the "ReGathering" plan, that is based on [federal](#) and [state guidelines](#) for re-opening. We understand that there may be more difficult days ahead. Yet we are glad to share with you this pathway for returning to life-giving rhythms as a church family, particularly those that allow for re-gathering together in worship, scripture, and fellowship around the person and work of Jesus Christ.

ReGathering Plan

CDA Bible's ReGathering plan aligns with the [Idaho Rebounds](#) plan, and will follow the Governor's cue for advancing to each stage. In other words, when the Governor announces advancement to the next stage for Idaho, CDA Bible will also advance to the next stage of our ReGathering plan.

It is possible that the Governor may delay advancement to the next stage, or even revert to the previous stage; CDA Bible's ReGathering Plan will follow Idaho's movement through these stages, whether forwards, backwards, or delayed.

ReGathering Plan Values

- **Pursue devotion to the core elements of church life** (Acts 2:42)
 - The Apostle's Teaching (Scripture)
 - The Fellowship (Christ-centered community)
 - Breaking of Bread (Communion)
 - Prayer (Talking with God)
- **Prioritize concern for the physical health of our congregation**
 - Practice physical distancing protocols in all four stages
- **Practice respect for governing authorities**
 - Follow state timing for movement through stages

Physical Distancing Protocols

We will incorporate the following protocols throughout all four stages of the ReGathering Plan:

- **Engaging in physical distancing of at least six feet**
- **Avoiding all physical contact**
- **Wearing of face masks**
- **Staying home if sick**
- **Practicing good hand hygiene**
- **Covering coughs and sneezes**
- **Disinfecting surfaces and objects regularly**



ReGathering Plan Stages***

- **Stage 1: No Public Gatherings.** *Begins May 1, 2020*
 - Church Office re-opens to public; church staff return to normal schedules.
- **Stage 2: Small Gatherings (<10) begin .** *Estimated timing: May 16-29, 2020*
 - Sunday Worship Gathering: continue with home-based, online gatherings during Stage 2
 - Ministries (ex. Bible studies, prayer gatherings, small groups):
 - Can begin meeting in groups of less than 10
 - Can meet at the church facility, or elsewhere
- **Stage 3: Medium (10-50) and Large (>50) Gatherings begin.** *Estimated timing: May 30-June 12, 2020*
 - Sunday Worship Gathering: Re-launch worship gatherings at the church facility on Sunday mornings
 - More information about Sunday Worship Gatherings will be provided soon
 - Target date for first Sunday Worship Gathering is Sunday, May 31 2020. This date could change, if Stage 3 is delayed
 - Ministries (ex. Bible studies, prayer gatherings, small groups): Can begin meeting in groups of any size
- **Stage 4: All Gatherings continue,** *Estimated timing: June 13-June 26, 2020*

Contact Info

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the church leadership to seek clarity on the details of the ReGathering plan. We will gladly answer any questions or concerns you might have about bringing our church family back together in-person. A pastor or an elder will respond to you as quickly as possible.

Via email: nat@cdabible.org

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*** *Dates for Stages 2-4 are only estimated targets, and subject to change per Governor's orders.*