



Dear Church Family,

Peace be with you! While the outbreak of the coronavirus continues to grow rapidly in various regions in US, we pray that our sovereign Lord will grant each one of you the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Our staff continues to assess the risks posed by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). We have been receiving updates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and LA County Department of Public Health (LADPH). In light of recent guidance by the CDPH for large events, together, we as the whole staff, have prayerfully seeking the Lord's guidance and decided the following.

**Effective immediately, MBCLA will:**

- **Move existing worship services to online live-stream.** In-person worship service is cancelled. You will be able to watch and worship together at links, which will be available by this Sunday, on our website.
- **Suspend all other ministry activities.** Sunday School, fellowship groups, and other groups and events that take place at the church are suspended. We also suggest that home groups and events off-site suspend their meetings as well, and that all groups consider alternative ways to stay in communication for fellowship and prayer.

**These changes will be in effect for the month of March and we will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates.** It is possible that the suspension of ministries may continue past the month of March and we desire to make timely decisions with reliable information in order to practice wisdom.

In the coming days, MBCLA will communicate through numerous channels. The website ([www.mbcla.org](http://www.mbcla.org)) remains the primary source of communication from the church. Our Facebook accounts will also mirror the information on the website. We will send formal emails from the church, and you will likely receive an email from a staff member or fellowship leader as we adapt our shepherding to this new challenge.

We remain available to help our church family with prayer requests, special needs, or other help. If you need assistance, please call (626) 282-2467 during regular business hours or email [info@mbcla.org](mailto:info@mbcla.org).

Here are some additional links for your reference:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
- California Department of Public Health: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/Pages/New-Release-2020.aspx>
- LA County Department of Public Health: <https://twitter.com/lapublichealth>

These are uncertain times with many unknowns but we know God is in control and He knows the outcome to this crisis. As one hymn reminds us, "I know who holds the future and I know He holds my hand; With God things don't just happen, everything by Him is planned. So as I face tomorrow with its problems large and small, I'll trust the God of miracles, Give to Him my all!"

Serving together in Jesus,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Alan Chan".

Pastor Alan Chan and Staff