

**Walnut Street Baptist Church
Phase 2 Extended (until further notice)**

Walnut Street Family,

This week our state leaders issued revised recommendations in regard to corporate gatherings. We respect the medical experts and our government officials in that we believe they are making these decisions to protect us as citizens. We want to be good citizens and love our neighbors as ourselves. We want to do our part to protect each of you in the best way we can and help our country get past this viral crisis. As a result of the information and recommendations from our leaders, we will be extending our Phase 2 reopening plans until further notice. See the spreadsheet below for a quick summary of what is and is not taking place during phase 2. Below the spreadsheet is a detailed description of each ministry item listed.

**WSBC Reopening Plan-Phase 2
Extended**

Worship Service	11 a.m. in-person worship service
Sunday School	Online only during phase 2
Nursery	No nursery during phase 2
Preschool/Children	Online only during phase 2
Students	Online only during phase 2
Wednesday Night Activities	Online only Livestream Bible Study
Praise Team/Choir/Orchestra	None during phase 2
Bathroom Usage	Limited use
Committees/ Meetings	Meetings in Sanctuary/Conference Room only
Ministry Events	None during phase 2
VBS	None during phase 2
Camps	None during phase 2
Mission Trips	None during phase 2
Community Ministries	Food, Coats, Blankets, Baby Items (Drive thru window only)
Chinese Ministry	Details coming soon

Worship Service: During phase 2, WSBC will be offering an in-person worship gathering at 11 a.m. Face coverings will be required at all times. Please secure your own face covering; we do have a limited number but cannot guarantee one for all who wish to attend.

During the worship service, we will not be observing communion, passing the offering plate, nor will we have a time of shaking hands. An order of worship and sermon notes will be provided each Sunday morning during phase 2. We continue to have three leadership teams in place to help us with cleaning (Cleaning Team), assisting our church members (Greeters), and making

sure we follow all guidelines and procedures set forth by our Health and Government officials (Compliance Team).

Sunday School: WSBC will not be holding in-person Sunday School meetings during phase 2. However, we will be offering an online Sunday School Bible Study that will begin at 9:30 a.m. The Bible study will last for 1 hour (9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.) in order to give ample time for those choosing to attend the in-person worship gathering at 11:00 a.m. The Bible Study will be led by our Sunday School director, Jeff Ross. This online Sunday School Bible study will be a Zoom meeting. To join the setup session and each session on Sunday mornings at 9:30, simply type the internet link: <http://bit.ly/wsbcadultclass> in your internet browser. No meeting ID or password will be needed when using the link, but if you are asked for a meeting ID, it is 840 2995 3093. If you choose to join through the Zoom mobile app, you will need the meeting ID.

Nursery: WSBC will not be opening the nursery during phase 2. Children must sit with the adults who bring them to worship (these must be the adults with whom they live) in the worship service in their designated row.

Preschool/Children's Ministries: Preschool and Children's ministries will not meet during phase 2. Children must sit with their parents, or the adults with whom they live, in the worship service in their designated row. Our Children's minister, Jamie Creg, will continue to share children's Sunday School praise time online during phase 2. Please check the WSBC Facebook page for further information.

Student Ministries: WSBC student ministries will not meet during phase 2. Matt Pinkston, our student minister, will continue online weekly zoom session meetings with the students during phase 2. Please check the WSBC Facebook page for more information.

Wednesday Night Activities: There will be no in-person Wednesday night activities at WSBC during phase 2. However, we will continue to offer an online livestream Bible Study each Wednesday night. The live Bible study will begin at 6:00pm each Wednesday night. To access this livestream, visit our website or our Facebook page and click on the link provided.

Praise Team/ Choir/ Orchestra: There will be no choir, praise team, or orchestra during phase 2.

Bathroom Usage: During phase 2, bathrooms will be available on a limited basis. We will require one person at a time in the restroom facility. Restrooms will be cleaned by a designated member of the Cleaning Team after each use.

Committees/Meetings: Committees/Meetings will be allowed to meet on campus during phase 2. We advise our committees to refrain from meeting if at all possible. If it is necessary for a committee to meet, you must call the church office in advance and register to use the facility. Only 2 rooms will be available for meetings at this time: the sanctuary and the office conference room. When you call the church office to reserve your committee meeting day and time, you will be given further instruction.

Ministry Events: WSBC will hold no ministry events during phase 2.

VBS: There will be no VBS during phase 2.

Camps: There will be no camps during phase 2.

Mission Trips: There will be no mission trips during phase 2.

Community Ministries: During phase 2, WSBC Community Ministries will be open for food, jackets, blankets, and baby items through the pass-through window.

Chinese Ministry: Details will be coming soon for the Chinese ministry.

While we are taking all the necessary measures in thoroughly cleaning our facility, we understand that there are many of you who still may not be comfortable being around others at this time. We respect the decisions that each individual needs to make right now as it pertains to their particular health concerns and we ask that you use your best judgment as to whether you should attend at this time. If you choose not to attend our in-person 11 a.m. worship gathering, we encourage you to join us via livestream at 11 a.m. each Sunday morning.

In Christ,

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