

MAKING ROOM

Hosanna Church | Updated March 2020

LET'S BE THE CHURCH

Friends, the Covid-19 Crisis has create an amazing opportunity for us not merely to go to church but rather to **BE** the church. Here are some things that are true of followers of Jesus:

- We do not need to fear like those without hope. (1 Thessalonians 4:13)
- We trust in the face of concern. (1 Peter 5:7)
- We pray. (1 Timothy 2:1-7)
- We humbly show faith in the Lord to those around us who are anxious or panicking (John 14:1)
- We serve those who are at risk and in need. (Matthew 25:40)
- We see this as a Gospel opportunity. (1 Peter 3:15)

This is a time when people can feel isolated, anxious and people can slip through the cracks and go completely unnoticed. It is no accident that the Lord led us this year to a 1-year milestone focused on “**MAKING ROOM** for what matters most--namely people”.

We want to challenge everyone to prayerfully put a letter on every person's porch or mailbox on their block (or apartment building floor, etc.) The purpose of the letter is to make sure the people in our neighborhoods know that someone is praying for them and that they have someone they can reach out to personally who is close by if they find themselves in need.

This has already been used in a number of places and it's been fun to see the conversations it has started and the ripple effect of love it has produced. Here is a sample letter and/or a form you can just print.

Hi Neighbor!

Well, we're in interesting times with this whole COVID-19 situation, with lots of anxiety and fear in our community about where it's all headed. It's hard to tell what the next days, weeks and months have in store for us, but whatever the case, we think it's a good time to push into being good neighbors!

We don't have a whole lot stockpiled, but we may have something we can share with you if you're in a pinch. We'd also be happy to do a run to the store if you're finding it hard to get there yourself for some reason. (And know that we'll be sure to practice social distancing and hand sanitizing along the way.)

Anyway, if you do need something or if you want to talk more about ways we can help each other, or would like someone to pray with you, text or give us a call at 555-555-5555. We live in the two-story house at 5295 129th Ave.

Know that we're praying for you, our neighborhood and our city as we go through this together.

*Blessings,
Shane & Heather &
the whole Stacey Family*



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Hello

If you are self-isolating, I can help.

My name is: _____ My phone number is: _____

I live locally at: _____

If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19, I can help with:

Picking Up Shopping Posting Mail Prayer

A Friendly Phone Call Urgent Supplies

Just call or text me, and I'll do my best to help you (for free!)

Coronavirus is contagious; therefore I will take very precaution to ensure I'm spreading only kindness. I will seek to avoid physical contact (2m distance), wash hands regularly, and leave any items on your doorstep.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." - Jesus Christ

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