Ossian Church of the Nazarene - March 19, 2020

Church Family,

The Church Board, Leadership and Staff met Sunday to navigate the upcoming days and weeks during these times of changing restrictions. I wanted to reach out to you to communicate the decisions made and the ways we at OCN are continually engaged and meeting needs of our local church body and community. Our board will meet again on April 14. Until then, I will be in contact with the board regarding any updates and prayer needs.

The decision has been made that in compliance with the CDC (Center for Disease Control) ALL IN-PERSON activities, services, and church functions be suspended until further notice. It is our deepest hope we might be able to resume for Palm Sunday depending on restriction guidelines from the CDC, but this is fluid. We will be live-streaming Sunday sermons each Sunday via Face book and our website and encourage you to watch.

The staff will be contacting each household of our local body to ensure that we are up-to-date on all prayer needs and any physical needs any of you may be experiencing. If you need help getting groceries, medications, or the like or have a prayer need, PLEASE do not hesitate to contact Pastor Travis (260-849-2961)

We stand eager and willing to help where we can. If you are not receiving email communications or reminder text alerts, please contact a staff member or the church phone to give us your updated information. Our goal is to stay in communication with you. The best ways to stay up to date is to text "Loop" to 260-233-0784 or check in at the Church Facebook Page.

We still have a limited supply of Milk and Juice available while supplies last for those in need. Also if food is an issue we have emergency access to our Food Bank. I want to repeat, if you are without food or need supplies please call Pastor Travis or the Church and we will do everything we can to help you. The ministries to those in need are because of YOU. Your FAITHFUL GIVING is what allows us the privilege to step in when those calls come. THANK YOU!

It is imperative during these days we continue to give as the normal operating costs and additional outreach costs continue. We are continuing to pay our staff during this time. You may give through our website at <u>www.ossiannaz.org</u>, through the <u>tithe.ly</u> app in your smartphone App Store, by mail or by dropping it off at the church. There may not always be someone at the office during this time so I suggest calling first or Call pastor Travis and he will make arrangements for you 260-849-2961.

Thank you in advance for your continued faithfulness. Let the peace of Christ be seen and heard in you to a world looking for hope.

Your servant, Pastor Travis