

## Mission Village Christian Fellowship

### How We Can Meet Together When We Can't Meet Together

1. **Connect:** Look through the church directory and reach out to 10-15 people each week by phone, text, email, Facebook, Facetime, or whatever other communication method you want to use. Social distancing does not mean emotional distancing! Ask them how you can pray for them. Encourage them in their faith. Kids can do this too...Facebook Messenger Kids is a great way for kids to stay connected. Btw, this is something we should keep doing during the week, long after this pandemic is over!
2. **Care and Share:** As you talk with friends from church and the community, do they have any needs that we can meet? Are there resources that we can share with them when so many people are being selfish and hoarding toilet paper?
3. **Shop and Drop:** If you can help shop for people who can't get out, please contact the church office. Or if you can't get out and need help with groceries, contact the church office.
4. **Table talk:** Think about who you normally sit with during our fellowship hour after the worship service on Sunday. What do you normally talk about? Reach out to those people this week and talk about the same things.
5. **Meet digitally:** We are working on getting some of our small groups set up on Zoom or other group meeting apps. Our Elders are going to meet weekly on Sunday morning on Zoom to pray over the service together and to pray for each of you. And our grief support group is going to start the same kind of digital interaction.
6. **Neighbors:** Check in with a neighbor, ask how they're doing and see if they need anything. Encourage them. Share with them why you have hope during this season and not despair or dread. Invite them to watch our live feed on Sunday morning.
7. **Give generously:** Time, talent, treasure. Keep giving your tithes through Paypal or by mailing your check to the church. Keep using the gifts God has given you to serve him in new and creative ways. This is not a time for us to sit on the sidelines, even if we do have to sit at home. The church is not on pause...we still have work to do to help people to know and follow Jesus!
8. **Pray:** Pray for our community, and for protection, health, and safety. Pray for those who are vulnerable and afraid. Pray for our leaders, that they would make wise decisions for our community, state, and country during this time. Pray for first responders, who are more exposed than most of us. Pray for our church, that we might together meet the needs of our body and our community. And finally, pray for this live stream service on Sunday. Pray that this live stream could be a welcoming digital "front porch" for our church and that through this, we might help even more people to know and follow Jesus.