



Good Afternoon Church Family,

We waited and prayed as long as we could before taking this next step in the life of our HermNaz family. Our Church Board leadership team met Tuesday night, March 17th, to discuss the direction of our ministries in this time. The Board recognizes the fact that none of us wish to close our Sunday services or our main ministries, but also wish to be part of the solution to get us past the events of today and move forward. The church board voted to follow the recommendations of the CDC and our local school board by spending our Sunday worship services for six weeks through April 26th, at which time we will continue to follow the recommendations of the CDC.

### **So What Does This Look Like?**

#### **Office Hours**

Our office is now closed with the exception of being open by appointment only. To make an appointment, please contact us at [hermistonnaz@gmail.com](mailto:hermistonnaz@gmail.com). We will respond as soon as we can to set a time with you.

#### **Sunday Worship**

As a staff we are working hard at being creative with Living the Gospel during this time. We will be live streaming on Facebook Live each Sunday at 10:30am on the Hermiston Nazarene Church Facebook Page as normal, and I am excited to announce that Pastor Lori White will be greeting you each week as our Online Pastor. Get the family up! Get your coffee made! Here is what to expect!

Living Room Worship. I am so excited about this! Each week acoustic worship will come to you from the living room of a different family. It will be a great time of praising our Lord together. How cool!!!

On Location Message. At the close of the worship set, the live feed will end and then a new live feed for "Where in the World is Pastor Eric?" will begin. Pastor Eric (Me) will be at a different location each Sunday to preach the message. I am having so much fun!!!

Kids Moment. Bryce is producing a creative pre-recorded Kids Moment that will be posted Sunday morning at the time church starts so our kids may continue to learn about their Jesus. Crazy cool!

Tithes and Offerings. God is giving us a great opportunity to worship Him and do great things for living the Gospel. As a church, it is vital we are giving as generously as possible during this time. Three ways to worship with our generous giving: Webpage, HermNaz App, mail or drop-off check.

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## **Life of the Church**

**Life Groups:** Life Groups are how we do life together at HermNaz. Life Group leaders will be receiving prayer list updates and information each week from our Life Group Coordinator, Aaron Johnson. If you are not in a Life Group, let's get you connected. If your life group meets at the church you may still meet at the church. If your Life Group does not currently meet at the church and you would like to, please email the office so we can set you up with a time and a space. Let's journey together.

## **J.O.Y. Group (Just Older Youth)**

Pastor Lori White and Diane Isom, along with their team, are working on ways to help you if you have needs during this time. Please contact Lori at 458-300-3235 or Diane at 541-567-9104. And you can always reach Pastor Eric at 541-270-5724 or the office at 541-567-3677.

## **Elevate Student Ministry**

Pastor Michael has been working with the youth team and church board on ways to continue having the momentum of our student ministry move forward. If you are a parent or student in this ministry, Pastor Michael will be sending you a detailed letter very soon on what you can expect from your student ministry. Church, please be praying for this group. They are a great group of students and the leaders are giving everything they have to it. God is doing some great things.

## **Alive Prayer Ministry**

If you would like to be on the list to receive prayer requests and updates, or if you would like to make a prayer request and have it sent on the prayer chain, please email the office and we can set you up.

## **Diaper Ministry**

We are helping people with diapers on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00am - Noon.

Social MEDIA distancing is a real thing. For me, this has to become a real thing too. I have to be intentional and limit time on my phone these next 4-8 weeks or I'm gonna develop unfruitful habits. My phone and FB etc. are amazing tools when used rightly. But I have to create new systems and 'social media distancing' or I'm liable to fall into an unhealthy hole. Don't get caught up in unhealthy reactions to where we are.

Let's be present with God.  
Let's be present with our family.  
Let's be present with creation.  
Let's return to simple things.

This is an opportunity...if you let it be.

**I Love My Church! Pastor Eric (PE)**