

## Phase 01 Protocol for Reopening the Harrison SDA Church

The church board received the report and voted that due to the contagious nature of the current pandemic, the following steps be taken for the reopening of the church on June 13, 2020. As leaders of the church, we believe these steps will help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, by limiting exposure time and reduce the risk of transmission through the air and surfaces.

### A. SELF-ASSESSMENT

Before leaving your residence, perform a self-assessment by answering the following questions:

1. Do you have ONE or more of the following symptoms that is unusual for you:
  - a. Fever (temperature of 100.4 Fahrenheit or greater) or feel feverish;
  - b. Cough; shortness of breath/difficulty breathing; chills;
  - c. Repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain;
  - d. Headache; sore throat;
  - e. Loss of taste or smell;
  - f. General unwell feeling?
2. Take your temperature using a reliable thermometer according to manufacturer's specifications.
3. Are you treating fever, aches, and/or pain with prescription or over-the-counter fever/pain reducers, such as Tylenol, Aleve, Motrin, acetaminophen, naproxen sodium, ibuprofen, etc.?
4. Are you treating a cough with prescription or over-the-counter cough suppressants, such as Robitussin, Delsym, etc.?
5. Have you had any close contact with anyone who has, within the last 14 days, been suspected of having or diagnosed with COVID-19?
6. The CDC defines close contact as:
  - a. Being within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for approximately 10 minutes or longer, or
  - b. Having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case, such as being coughed on.
7. Have you traveled internationally in the past 14 days?
8. Are you currently infected with COVID-19?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, (1) please stay home, (2) notify anyone you may have contacted, and (3) contact your medical provider.

## **B. ACTION STEPS**

The following are the action steps voted by the church board during Phase 1 of the reopening of the church.

1. For the time being, we will only have worship service, which will begin at 11:00 a.m.
2. The wear of masks at all times will be required by those meeting in the sanctuary. Masks will be offered to those who do not have it. Those choosing not to wear a mask will meet in the fellowship hall to view the church service in the sanctuary via Zoom.
3. Church service will be broadcast by Zoom for those whom cannot attend church.
1. A social distancing of at least 6 feet will be maintained in both the sanctuary and fellowship hall. The sitting in the sanctuary will be every other row of pews.
4. The Mother's Room will be made available only to one set of parents with small children.
5. While singing is an enjoyable part of worship, unfortunately it is one of the most effective ways to spread the virus. Hence, we won't be having singing during church service. Musical instruments will still be used.
6. In order to promote social distancing, only two people at a time will be using the restrooms.
7. Entrance to the building will be only through the main doors of the church. Those meeting in the sanctuary will egress through the door located inside the sanctuary. Those meeting in the fellowship hall will exit through the door located in that room. The deacons will dismiss by rows to continue social distancing as we leave the building.
8. Tithe and Offerings will be collected at the end of Sabbath School and Worship Services. There will be a basket in both the sanctuary and fellowship hall.
9. Hand Sanitizers will be supplied in appropriate areas. We strongly encourage the practice of frequent handwashing and covering your mouth with your arm when coughing or sneezing.
10. We discourage hand shakings, hugging or giving high five. Waving your hand is an appropriate salutation.
11. The fellowship meal is temporarily suspended.