



**Mt. Carmel Church of God in Christ**  
Corona Virus-COVID 19 Update  
March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Mt. Carmel Church of God in Christ Membership,

*After considerable prayer and direct consultation with trusted medical professionals from around the country, local and state government officials and clergy around the metro area, the following is our response to the growing concerns over the rapid spread of the coronavirus disease epidemic (COVID-19) that is currently impacting the world.*

Mt. Carmel is adhering to the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC – [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)) guidelines, in addition to “Relentlessly Pursuing the Presence of God” and believing in prayer. We believe that observance of these guidelines will allow for appropriate preparedness in a joint effort to reduce the risk of exposure both collectively and individually. We are living in a challenging time. The COVID-19 outbreak is proving to be a fluid situation that continues to change and become more critical, seemingly hour-to-hour.

As we prepare for a dynamic, Spirit-filled, Worship-centered Sunday Service on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, we have implemented the following precautions:

- ✓ In addition to our diligent janitorial staff, the church will be professionally disinfected and cleaned in all areas of our facility.
- ✓ Throughout the month of March, Mt. Carmel will limit the mid-week gathering of saints and provide on-line bible study through the church app and website. Conference calls are recommended over in-person gathers for auxiliary meetings and weekly prayer meetings.
- ✓ The Mothers Board Program, originally scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 pm, has been postponed.
- ✓ There will be hand sanitizer readily available in all areas of the church.
- ✓ There will be no dual use of microphones in any service.
- ✓ Due to God blessing our congregation to worship in an amazing facility, we will spread out and utilize the ENTIRE sanctuary to allow significant space between our attendees to worship freely and uninhibited.
- ✓ There will be a refresh of the facility mid-way through each service.

We are asking that you be mindful of the following directives:

- ✓ Avoid shaking hands and we will refrain from “touching your neighbor” or infringing upon anyone’s personal worship space.
- ✓ Clean your hands often. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially before, during and after service, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.



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- ✓ Since it's flu and allergy season, if you have symptoms of acute respiratory illness, we ask that you comply with the CDC or PHAC's recommendation and stay home and not come to church until you are free of fever, and any other symptoms, for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing or other symptom-altering medicines (e.g. cough suppressants).

Mt. Carmel trusts in the miraculous healing and protective power of the Lord Jesus Christ. We will use WISDOM and not be afraid. As He alone is our Keeper, we will continue to wholly put our trust and faith in Him. *"I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living"* – (Psalm 27:13).

I look forward to seeing you in service as we lift up Jehovah-Nissi our Banner this Sunday. Services are always streamed online-via the Mt. Carmel Church of God in Christ app, Facebook Live and website [www.mtcarmelcogic.org](http://www.mtcarmelcogic.org). The Board of Directors thanks you for your continued love and support to the Mt. Carmel Church.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor J." in a cursive style.

Pastor Ervin Jason Sims-Senior Pastor  
Mt. Carmel Church of God in Christ-Kansas City, Kansas