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**Dear Bethany,**

In Psalm 34:6 David writes, "This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles." For many of us, it seems like nearly every day we feel like that poor man calling to God as we wade through the troubles that have engulfed us, both as individuals, and as a country. As believers in Jesus Christ, even in this difficult time, we have both great hope and also the reality that He's there for us. And our desire is that we would continue to spread that hope to our community.

As a church, we have been closely looking at the Health Department recommendations and the situations that our community has been in and adapted as we felt God has been leading us. As our schools begin to open and our community transitions, we feel that this is also a good time for us to pivot, yet again, as a church. **Starting on January 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> we will begin the process of Regathering.** We know that many will continue to join us online and have been able to continue to grow spiritually in doing so. However, we also know the importance that gathering has on our spiritual and mental health and we believe we are ready to do so safely and responsibly at this time. We will be offering in-person services on Saturday at 6p and Sunday at 9a & 10:30a starting the weekend of January 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Another exciting aspect of this Regathering is the knowledge and clarity that we have gained from working with local schools and other partnerships on a plan to regather our Kids and Students. In light of that, **we are also excited to announce that we will be offering Kids Ministries for 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade during all weekend services and 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade during our 10:30a service.** Watch for an email with more information in the coming weeks.

With love,

Your Bethany Leadership