



HEALTH AND SAFETY NOTICE REGARDING CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

This advice is in relation to Faith Works International Churches,

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A Message from Ps' Trevor & Jo and the board

Dear Friends,

We want to update you on the Faith Works International Church's response to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic and the steps that we are taking. Whilst the overall risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus remains low; we wanted to make you aware of the extra precautions we're taking to ensure everyone stays healthy during this time of heightened concern.

We are closely monitoring daily updates and recommendations from Government Authorities and Industry bodies. As advice from the Department of Health changes, we will reflect these changes in our policies and in this notice. An up to date copy of this notice will be maintained at www.faithworksaustralia.org

We are also doing all that we can to ensure that the [building] is maintained at the highest level of cleanliness and hygiene and are seeking to obtain hand sanitizers which will be made readily accessible.

We will continue to conduct our Sunday service at 10 am, however, we will monitor the situation as well as advice from the Department of Health and if deemed necessary will cease to conduct our Sunday services whilst the risk of contagion remains high.

We will be offering Communion; however, we will be handing it out a little differently.

We will be spraying all our seats and door handles regularly with Glen20.

What we ask of you is that:

- If you or your child are feeling unwell in particular if you have cold or flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat etc.), please do not attend any church activity such as church services or gatherings including kids, small groups or other church activity until you are well again. Please stay home and rest, seek medical attention.
- If you have travelled from mainland China, Iran, Italy or the Republic of Korea within the last 14 days, do not attend.
- If you have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive, you should have already received medical attention and been instructed to be in-home isolation and not attend.
- If you have a COVID-19 test result pending, please do not attend.
- We ask that you, please practice good hygiene by frequently washing your hands with either soap or hand sanitiser.
- If you cough or sneeze, please turn so that you are not facing anyone and do so into a handkerchief or tissue which you then promptly dispose of in a safe manner.
- Please also restrict hand to hand contact at gatherings and use sensible precautions when in closer proximity to others. We recommend that you don't handshake or hug during this season.
- Parents, if your children are unwell, please keep them home. Any child who falls ill (fever, cough, runny nose) during a program will be required to be collected promptly.

We must all take the Coronavirus pandemic seriously as it's a serious global crisis with wide-reaching effects. It's important that we must do what we can to slow it's spread as well as minimising the risks to ourselves whilst at the same time ministering to those in need.

We can do this in a number of ways that include praying:

- for those who are infected with the virus
- that the virus will be slowed and its reach reduced
- that an effective vaccine will soon be developed and made available
- for the safety and strength of health workers
- for wisdom for our nation's and state's leaders
- for the livelihoods of many whose, jobs and businesses are being effected

Other ways we can care for people include staying connected via phone and social media.

In the case of those who fall sick, cooking meals or helping with grocery shopping may be of great practical help, but please take care not to put yourself at risk if you do this. We recommend leaving the cooking or groceries near the front door and ensuring that direct contact does not take place.

Gatherings of 500 people / Social distancing:

The Prime Minister issued a statement that large gatherings are limited to 500 people. Our seating capacity is no more than 70 people, so whilst this restriction does not apply to us, we are nevertheless implementing measures to ensure appropriate social distancing, and request that all parties leave an empty seat between their group and other parties. We appreciate your understanding and co-operation in this regard.

We pray that you will remain healthy and continue to let the love of Jesus shine through you in this season. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us on 0412 380 444.

Love and blessings,

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 Senior Leaders
 Faith Works International

COVID19: Identifying the symptoms

Symptoms	Covid-19	Cold	Flu
 Fever	Common Symptoms range from mild to severe	Rare Gradual onset of symptoms	Common Abrupt onset of symptoms
 Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
 Cough	Common (usually dry)	Mild	Common (usually dry)
 Sneezing	No	Common	No
 Aches and pains	Sometimes	Common	Common
 Runny or stuffy nose	Rare	Common	Sometimes
 Sore throat	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
 Diarrhea	Rare	No	Sometimes for children
 Headaches	Sometimes	Rare	Common
 Shortness of breath	Sometimes	No	No

Source: WHO, Centres for Disease Control and Prevention