## Pastor's Weekly Newsletter 3/23/20

## Dear Friends at 5C:

What a week! It looks like a drama as things unfold rapidly with this aggressive spread of Coronavirus. Praise the Lord that we had a live stream service on Sunday, not from the church as we originally planned, but from our homes. California becomes the first state to issue stay-at-home mandate on Thursday, the church scrambles to find a solution in two days in order to have Sunday live stream under a new circumstance. Thanks to our leaders who work diligently over the weekend, especially Brother Raymond Wu who has been actively inviting people to join Zoom. Considering that there are many seniors in our church, this is a daunting job for anyone to take. Praise the Lord that we had 54 people successfully join live stream on Sunday. In addition, we have hold a prayer meeting and Pastor Chen's virtual office hours on Friday, two Sunday school classes and Worship service on Sunday. Behind all of these, our devoted team spent many hours to test the system on Thursday and Saturday, hope that we are able to continue to improve the quality of live stream in coming weeks.

## Ministry Update:

- 1. Annie Shi-Mu and Anderson take the initiative to hold prayer meetings online at 7:30pm Monday and Thursday. Please feel free to join each of sessions
- 2. Pastor Chen's virtual office hours, 10:00am-12:00pm every Wednesday and Friday. Anyone is welcome to join and chat.
- 3. Brother Raymond Wu is willing to help anyone who wants to join our Zoom meetings. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join church worship on Sunday.
- 4. Chinese Sunday school continues on the Book of Isaiah (Anderson Lin) and English Sunday school begins their study on the Book of Romans (Anna Ho)
- 5. Pastor Chen continue Sunday message on Coronavirus outbreak on 3/29.
- 6. We plan to have a virtual Good Friday service (4/10) and Easter Service (4/12).

## **Prayer Requests:**

- 1. Pray for Coronavirus outbreak in US and around the world.
- 2. Pray for physical and spiritual well-being of our church members.
- 3. Pray for church leadership handling the transition of on-going ministry.
- 4. Pray for God's provision for those families affected by the slowing-down of business.
- 5. Pray for God's protection for those who have to work outside home.

Stay home and stay safe. Look forward to seeing you virtually on Sunday 3/29. Blessings!

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