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Hello Friends,

Greetings in Christ!

Some people have been asking what LGM's plans are for the fall, and the short answer is we don't completely know. That being said, at the time of this writing, we may be a ways out from having regular indoor worship services. For now, we will continue to conduct our services online. That might be frustrating to hear, and we do sincerely apologize. Believe me, I am as eager as anyone to be able to congregate together face-to-face, but due to the current realities of the pandemic, we do not believe it to be safe to do so just yet. Also, LGM will continue to abide by the executive orders issued by the office of the governor of the state of Michigan, and currently in accordance with executive order 2020-110, indoor gatherings of more than 10 people are prohibited. Because of that and due to the absence of a working vaccine for COVID-19, there is no current timeline for us to return to our normal way of conducting worship.

LGM's leadership team is meeting regularly to discuss how we can proceed in these unprecedented circumstances. We remain committed to prayerfully monitoring the situation and trying to find safe creative ways for us to meet. A large proportion of our ministry consists of undergraduate and graduate students from local universities, with the majority coming from the University of Michigan. We are currently exploring options to be able to meet in person on U of M campus for those who live on and near campus starting in the fall. This is in the preliminary planning stages, but we will let everyone know as soon as we can when we have more news to report about that.

We appreciate all your prayers and your support of the ministry and one another in these times. Thank you also for your patience, friends. We covet your continued prayers, and although it may not be what we prefer, we thoroughly enjoy worshipping with you online.

May the God of hope continue to strengthen and encourage you all as we walk by faith in the love of Christ.

In Christ's service,

Rev. Steve Khang (on behalf of the Core Council of Living Grace Ministry)