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BULLETIN # 2: COVID-19

Dear Fellow Servant-Leaders:

Warmest Christian greetings. I pray you and your loved ones are well physically and spiritually.

The Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic continues to wreak havoc at home and abroad, bringing entire countries and communities to their knees. By now, everybody has been impacted by the pandemic in some way. The non-stop torrent of news about the virus is difficult to ignore, and I suspect that many of you have stocked up on supplies to get you through the coming weeks, if not months.

Thank you for paying attention to our first bulletin on the pandemic. As we knew would happen, there has been a whirlwind of rapid developments that call for an update on what the Lake Region Conference (LRC) has done and is doing to deal with this unprecedented situation. Please note the following items, some of which are actions voted by LRC's Administrative Council, ADCOM.

- All Conference programs through the end of March have been canceled. Impact Indiana events scheduled for later this spring are still under review.
- **The CALLED Minister's Conference has been rescheduled to the summer of 2022. A decision on the General Conference Session is yet to be made.**
- Both Andrews University and Oakwood University have suspended face-to-face instruction for the rest of the semester.
- All LRC schools are closed for the immediate future. Instruction will be delivered via technology.
- The Conference Office is closed to the public. Office personnel will be working from home, and you may contact them via email.
- **Due to government guidelines regarding the number of people who may assemble, we are MANDATING that all church services be suspended until further notice.**
- **This coming Sabbath, March 21, a worship service featuring Conference leaders will be streamed. Please encourage your members to access the service. Details of the service, including start time, are forthcoming.**
- As there is still much about the Coronavirus COVID-19 that is unknown, and as medical authorities and government leaders continue to stumble and stagger about in search of answers, let us not forget that our God is still on the throne and knows all.

The current conundrum is no mystery to God, who will move in His own time and way.

“The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? . . . For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock”

(Psalm 27:1, 5).

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