#### PASTOR'S CV-19 BRIEF #2

w/ Jerry & Kimberly Dirmann | Tuesday, March 31, 2020

## 1. PROPHETIC PERSPECTIVE OF COVID-19

- A. God is involved
  - 1. Chuck Pierce's September prophesy of a massive plague-like invasion
  - 2. Jimmy Evans' message @ Gateway
- B. A call to repentance and prayer

**2** Chronicles 7:12–14 (NKJV) Then the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said to him: "I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice. 13 When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people, 14 if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

- 1. God is calling our nation back to Him
- 2. He's calling the whole body of Christ to prayer, especially through Passover

Passover (Wednesday evening April 8 – Thursday evening April 16)

a. Aaron made atonement to stop plague

**Numbers 16:46–49 (NKJV)** So Moses said to Aaron, "Take a censer and put fire in it from the altar, put incense on it, and take it quickly to the congregation and make atonement for them; for wrath has gone out from the LORD. The plague has begun." **47** Then Aaron took it as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the assembly; and already the plague had begun among the people. So he put in the incense and made atonement for the people. **48** And he stood between the dead and the living; so the plague was stopped. **49** Now those who died in the plague were fourteen thousand seven hundred, besides those who died in the Korah incident.

- b. The Blood of the Lamb and the Scarlet Rope
- 3. Scriptural Prayers
  - a. Protection
  - b. Healing
  - c. Provision
  - d. <u>15-minute Healing Message, Testimonies & Prayer</u>

#### C. QUESTIONS:

- 1. What update should you share with your congregation?
- 2. How will you call them to prayer?

## 2. CONNECTION WITH OUR FLOCKS

**<u>1 Peter 5:2</u> (NKJV)** Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly;

Acts 20:28–30 (NKJV) Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. 29 For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves.

## A. QUESTIONS

- 1. How is their health?
- 2. How are they doing emotionally?
- 3. How are they doing relationally?
- 4. How are they doing financially?

### 3. STIMULUS HELP

- A. For individuals and business owners
- B. For churches (independent & denominational)

#### C. QUESTIONS:

- 1. How can we help individuals?
- 2. How can we help business owners?
- 3. Is our church eligible for stimulus help?
- 4. How can we / should we receive stimulus help?

## 4. ONLINE MINISTRY WILL NOT DIMINISH, BUT EXPAND

- A. Because pastors are realizing that there are many more people willing to connect online than come to a church building.
- B. Because this CV-19 lockdown is conditioning the body of Christ to receive their ministry in a more convenient and time-efficient way.
- C. Face-to-face ministry must resume, but not necessarily on the church campus.

#### D. **QUESTIONS:**

- 1. How will our church reach out digitally in the future?
- 2. What priority will our online ministry hold?
- 3. What staffing and structural changes should be reconsidered?
- 4. How much budget should be allocated toward online ministry?

# 5. "COUNTDOWN TO EASTER SUNDAY" = APRIL 12

- A. First ever "Digital Easter"
- B. Tomorrow (April 1) begins the "Countdown to Easter Sunday"

## C. QUESTIONS:

- 1. What will your Easter/Resurrection Service look like this year?
- 2. How will you engage the kids and youth?
- 3. How will you mobilize your congregation to reach out?
- 4. How will you connect with new people to join you?