

<sup>1</sup>Fret not yourself because of evildoers; be not envious of wrongdoers! <sup>2</sup>For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb. <sup>3</sup> Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. <sup>4</sup> Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. <sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. <sup>6</sup> He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday. <sup>7</sup> Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices! <sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. <sup>9</sup> For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.

## Psalm 37:1-9

## Dear Family at Christ Community,

As we find ourselves continuing to patiently wait for the Lord to bring some change to our present circumstance, we wanted to give you an update as we look ahead into 2021. It is very important that you keep in mind that these things are subject to change based on a variety of factors that are outside of our control. Remember that these are our best guesses based on current information and circumstance for what worship and ministry will look like in 2021.

Based on the current information from the CDC and other sources concerning the vaccine and predictions about changes in state regulations related to a decrease in COVID-19 cases, we will most likely continue with worship in groups of 50 until September 2021 at the earliest. The reality is that the current meeting restrictions in Georgia most likely won't change without a drastic decrease in the number of COVID-19 cases and associated risk. We recognize that there are a variety of opinions concerning the vaccine and the role it could play in decreasing both the risk and number of active cases. For our part, CCC will not require the vaccine given that we, as the church, cannot bind your conscience according to our Book of Church Order. This issue falls in the authoritative realms of other services and institutions and will require wisdom applied for the glory of God to navigate as humble disciples of Christ.

This means that we are most likely at RTS Atlanta until at least September 2021. Given that the Ben Robertson Community Center (or Kennesaw Community Center) is a local government building, the requirements and limitations for meeting there are stricter and more involved than meeting at RTS Atlanta.

We will continue to communicate with KCC to stay abreast of any changes that may occur that will allow us to return to that space for worship.

With several more months ahead of us with our present worship restrictions, we need to work to stay connected with one another as the church and continue to grow as disciples of Christ. To this end, we are discussing possibly adding a third service of 50 in February to open up more weekly opportunities for you to gather with others to worship in person. We encourage you to actively look for creative opportunities to maintain or initiate contact with one another in the church. There are small groups as well as men's and women's groups meeting either over Zoom or safely in person that you can connect to. You can find the information for these on our web site or reach out to one of our staff members for more information. The staff is also available for prayer and counsel through either Zoom or safely in person. As the weather warms up in the Spring, there should be other opportunities to get together and enjoy fellowship with one another. This is a unique season in which we can deepen and strengthen our roots in union with Christ together as His church. Again, be intentional and creative to stick together!

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. We love you and long to be back together soon!

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