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**FOR URGENT DISTRIBUTION**

Dear Pastors and Congregation Members

As we and our fellow South Aussies move into another time of restricted movement, we do so trusting God to protect and provide. While we cannot gather physically as Church for at least the next week and probably longer, we know that God is with us and we are confident that you will care for each other as you are able, just as you did earlier this year.

**For the foreseeable future, all congregations are instructed to cease all face-to-face activities and adhere to current Government guidelines as they are released.**

During this time, visiting of members is prohibited, as is the distribution of worship materials to people's homes or letterboxes. We encourage you to pick up the telephone and stay in contact with members this way or use online platforms (eg Zoom). Of course, on-line worship is still able to occur, however all recording must be done in Pastor's homes and uploaded there. Working in or attending the Church buildings is not permitted.

Pastors are able to attend end of life visits if they are pre-arranged with the family, but these must be done following social distancing and other COVID requirements.

Funerals are prohibited during this lockdown time, but please remember that you can minister to these families online or via telephone. Weddings and other ceremonies are also prohibited.

As always, the District Office is still here to assist you, although our staff will be working remotely. Please phone (08) 8267 5211 if you have any questions or feel welcome to email us at [administration.sa-nt@lca.org.au](mailto:administration.sa-nt@lca.org.au) or via direct email addresses.

We will endeavor to update you on matters as they are released by the media and Government organisations.

We assure you of our prayers and of our availability to you online and by phone for support. The peace of the Lord be with you.

Bishop David Altus and the District Office Team

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