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Gathering in Person

As the stay-at-home orders are being lifted, it is an opportunity to reflect on how you will develop a plan for gathering again in person.



» Start by staying informed with the local guidelines and requirements. Has your local government developed special guidelines for churches?





- » Then, survey your leaders and members. Potential questions to ask:
 - · Give a sliding scale to assess comfort with returning to in-person services.
 - What precautions would you like in place before you would comfortably return to church?
 - · If we opened next week, would you volunteer in your same role?
 - What precautions would you need in place for you to send your children to our children's programing?
 - · What do you miss most about church?
- » Use the information you gather and consider these categories:
 - · What shifts for health and safety need to be made:
 - To parts of the service (communion, offering, children's church, etc.)?
 - To the facility for social distancing (space between rows, flow of entrance and exit, etc.)?
 - To sanitation practices (restroom cleaning schedule, wiping down door handles, greeters wearing gloves, etc.)?



- » Once you have developed a plan that is approved by your Regional Director:
 - Communicate with your team and customize the **attached flyer and chart** to share with your members and community.
 - · Do a run through of the new best practices and procedures with your team before the first service

