

9 February 2020

Dear Members and Friends of NCCS,

The peace of Christ be with you.

The National Council of Churches of Singapore (NCCS) notes that the press release by the Ministry of Health on 8 February 2020 identifies The Life Church and Missions in Paya Lebar as a possible new cluster comprising five cases, namely Case 8 and 9 (Chinese Nationals from Wuhan) as well as Cases 31, 33, and 38.

As there is presently no change to the precautionary measures advised under DORSCON Orange, the NCCS is of the view that unless otherwise advised, all regular worship services should continue under the control measures issued by the Government and the heads of our respective denominations.

These include:

- Carry out temperature screening
- Deny entry for those with respiratory symptoms such as cough or runny nose
- Ensure venues are ventilated
- Ensure venues are adequately equipped with handwashing facilities
- Ensure venues are more frequently cleaned
- Avoid handshakes and hugs during this period but use alternative forms of greeting

As Christians who are called to be responsible members of our society, we should implement these measures strictly and submit ourselves willingly to the inconveniences they inevitably bring.

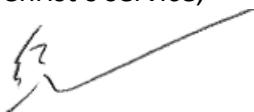
For such a time, let us stand in solidarity with our nation and continue to commit the evolving situation to the Sovereign Lord in earnest prayer. Give thanks to God for our Government and especially remember the healthcare workers in the frontline.

We hope your church can contribute to the community's efforts to support those in need as well as our healthcare, security and other frontline persons. You can use the link below to offer your support:

<https://go.gov.sg/vbqgi7>

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7).

Yours in Christ's service,



Bishop Terry Kee