

ReOpening Task Force Update

Friends, the Reopening Task Force met again on Tuesday night to discuss next steps for reopening our church facilities. As you know, our Fall Homecoming would traditionally be celebrated in the next few Sundays. We have learned that Bishop Paul Leeland is unable to be with us as planned. At a time when he is counseling his pastors in the Western NC Conference to abide by the Governor's guidance and recommendations by the Center for Disease Control, he did not feel comfortable gathering for a homecoming celebration at this time.

We wrestled with a number of potential possibilities for resuming in-person worship, including homecoming. The persons on our Task Force with medical knowledge have provided invaluable and reasoned guidance. Ultimately, we came to the consensus that we need to stay the course we are on and wait until the Governor announces his plan for Phase 3 on October 2nd.

The Task Force will meet again on October 5th. Please know that we are working diligently and prayerfully, and we will continue to do so in making the best decision for our congregation as a whole. Your health and safety are our first priority.

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