

The Life Church – New York



LCNY - 2020

REGATHERING UPDATE

REGATHERING GAME PLAN

*A letter from Pastors **Wayne** & **Classy** Francis.*



Hey Everyone!

Just after announcing our transition to becoming The Life Church - New York, the COVID-19 pandemic rocked our world and we shutdown our public gathering to help flatten the curve and stem the tide of the virus. We are so happy that we prioritized the health and safety of families during this prolonged pandemic, however, as our state has cautiously began to reopen we now feel it is time for us to begin to regather slowly as well. I've told our team that our plan to host weekend services again should be thought of as "wet cement" strategy meaning that while we intend to lay a new foundation for our corporate worship, we want to remain flexible to navigate through any transitions that may need to occur to ensure that everyone reenters public gathering safely.

To help us transition to this season successfully, I want to share two important things with you:

First, is our **calendar of events**.

- **Phase 1** of our reopening plan creates smaller-scale outdoor and indoor gatherings that will bring our church family together in safe and socially distanced contexts.
- **Phase 2** of our regathering plan allows us to begin to have Open House sessions to tour our new building in Mamaroneck just before our major construction begins and to gather for our first public service since March at the Play Group Theater in White Plains on Sunday, September 20th. Though the return of LIVE Sunday Worship Services will include live music and preaching, We're going to maintain a stellar online presence so that families can join in on a livestream or on demand during the week. We have made the decision not to offer kids life programming onsite until 2021 and invite families to continue to enjoy our online ministry for children.

- Our 'wet cement' approach will give us time to evaluate this move but we are encouraged by our Governor permitting school reopenings to commence.

Second, is our **safety protocols for regathering**.

- Jesus told us that part of the greatest commandment is to love our neighbors as ourselves and one of the best ways we make that practical is to not get them sick. We've created protocols for all Life Church - New York gatherings so that you know what to expect when you attend one of our events. We want your family to be able to make an informed decision about whether you're comfortable joining us live and in-person. If not—no worries—all our digital offerings via thelifechurch.com/ny will continue in full swing and we'd be happy to have you join us online!

In my Back To Life message where I shared our vision to rebuild our church taking inspiration from the book of Ezra, I'd like to remind you that we need to build habits before we rebuild the house. As we get ready to reopen, let's reopen our hearts first. Like those ancient Jewish people, we too have to look at the foundation that is being laid before us and rejoice at the opportunity ahead instead of lamenting what is behind. I for one am very excited to partner with the Holy Spirit in leading you toward a bright, new, bold and permanent future. Classy and I can't wait to see you back in person and only expect for greater things ahead.

Moving Life Forward,



Wayne and Claudene [a.k.a Classy] Francis

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AUG 22nd LADIES SPA NIGHT

Come get your manis and pedis and get right with your friends, new and old. Saturday night at 7PM in Yonkers, email Crystal@thelifechurch.com to join in on the fun. Hosted in Yonkers.



AUG 22nd COUPLES BBQ

What's better than BBQ'ing with friends on a crisp summer night... Come out and find your forever friends that you can do date night with for years to come. Email Joseph@thelifechurch.com to join. Hosted in White Plains.



AUG 23rd MENS FISHING CHARTER

Tight lines and tan lines... Farmers tan of course LOL. Its gonna be so much fun. Experienced anglers or amateurs, everyone welcome. Email Jim@thelifechurch.com to join. \$65 cost.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT

Get your tickets for our Drive-In Movie Night hosted at White Plains High School. All are invited to join us for a screening of The Incredibles.



SEPTEMBER 17th - 19th OPEN HOUSE SESSIONS

Be the first to take a tour of our new permanent church home in Mamaroneck! See the official layout of the building in a safe, socially distanced way and get excited for our future. Space is limited so register online at thelifechurch.com/ny



SEPT 20th IN PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES IN WHITE PLAINS

We resume in-person gatherings at Playgroup Theater in White Plains. Our services will be held at 9:30a and 11:00a. Attendees must register for tickets to attend and agree to comply with our safety protocols. This will also help us manage event capacity for appropriate social distancing in the auditorium. Masks are required at all times on site.



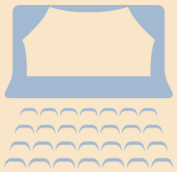
SEPT 20th LIFE GROUP KICK OFF

A new cycle of life groups will begin concurrent to resuming our weekly worship services. There will be in-person offerings as well as Zoom Groups.



Prioritizing The Health & Safety Of Our Families:

We believe that one of the best ways to “love your neighbor” is to not get them sick. That means, we will always put the health and safety of the vulnerable ahead of benefits to the healthy. That is why we’ve created these safety protocols for all The Life Church - NY gatherings. Please read through them so you know what you can expect from us, and what we are asking of you.



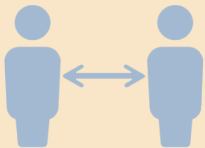
Auditorium

We will be cleaning the entire auditorium before and after each service extensively. This includes wiping down all chairs with high-grade anti-bacterial products.



Masks

Masks are required to be worn by all adults and children ages 3 and older, and yes, this includes at our outdoor events. Please bring your own masks to all events.



Social Distancing

We will work to create environments conducive to social distancing and we ask that all individuals / families remain at least 6-feet apart from others during events. We're trading-in hugs, handshakes, and high-fives for exuberant waves! So throw your hands in the air, and wave 'em like you just don't care!



Hand Sanitizer Stations

Hand sanitizer stations will be provided on site in the lobby, auditorium and restroom.



Food & Drink

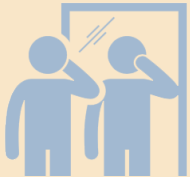
We won't be serving any food and we ask that you don't bring any outside food to The Life Church - NY services or events. This is in the best interest of safety and comfort levels for all attendees.

Bottled water is an exception—stay hydrated!



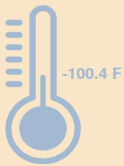
Advanced Registrations

Registration will be required for all our events—from movie nights to worship services.



Self-Check Health Assessments

We're asking YOU to self-check for COVID-19 symptoms (cough, fever, chills, muscle pain, difficulty breathing, sore throat, loss of taste or smell) and risk factors before attending any The Life Church - NY events. Please stay home if you are feeling unwell or if you've been in contact with anyone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.



Temperature Checks

To keep you safe, all staff and volunteers are required to receive temperature checks upon arrival, and we reserve the right to temperature check all guests. Anyone registering 100.4 or higher will be asked to return home.

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kidslife



Kids life info:

Although we know that Kids, families, and volunteers will be excited to get back together for in-person services, at this time we are delaying the return of kidslife. We would love you to participate with our kidslife at Home programming available on our website and connect with us on Instagram at [lifechurchnewyork_kidslife](#).

We are still on *mission*.



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The Life Church - NY is committed to following all state and local authorities' directives and CDC guidelines.
Our guidelines will be continually modified to follow any new directives.

We are still on mission to reach people far from God but close to us so we invite you to share our reopening plan with a friend, neighbor or co-worker directly or share that you'll be coming to our regathering on your social media. Remember, we'll be meeting in person but continuing to deliver our weekend services online and providing online ministry for middle and high school students through Axis and ministry to children through kids life at Home.

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