

Community Reintegration

Reintegration Philosophy

The nature of the COVID-19 pandemic is very complex and complicated due to the varying degrees of risk for those in different stages and conditions of life. With River House being a multi-generational people movement, we desire to operate in a way that values all members of our family. Policy will fall short of accomplishing this. The only way we will navigate this very difficult task of community reintegration is if we, as one Body, are submitted to the leadership of Jesus and His law of love. When we gather again we need to have others in mind. *We must love our neighbor as ourselves.*

Generally speaking, there are three distinct groups that individuals within River House find themselves in during this time. As we move back into in-person gatherings, we want our entire church family to be honoring and respectful of all three groups.

1) Those who are vulnerable with chronic health conditions that predispose you to the effects of COVID-19, and the elderly.

We love and miss you! Though we know the decision is ultimately yours to make, we encourage you to stay home and continue worshiping via livestream technologies. Our commitment is to do everything we can to make you feel seen, connected, and loved during this very difficult time of life for you. Please, continue to reach out and let us know if we can serve you in any way!

2) Those who desire reintegration with social distancing in place.

This group desires to meet in person but with necessary precautions in place - no touching, hugging, handshaking, or violation of personal space. This could be due to personal conviction or because you are connected to a vulnerable person. You want to wear a mask to church and we honor that decision! We value your sentiment and want you to feel accepted and safe within River House communal gatherings.

3) Those who desire reintegration without social distancing in place.

This group feels confident going back to normal without social distancing precautions. You have accepted a “new normal” and though sickness may be a reality, you are ready to get on with your life. We value your perspective in this! It will take many with this type of mindset to charge us all forward as we are left to navigate life in light of COVID-19. We are thankful for your boldness and desire to re-engage in community.

Reintegration Phases

River House encourages the use of wisdom and situational awareness during all communal gatherings. If you don't know, ask! We don't need to be afraid. Jesus is our Healer and He is Lord of the Church. The safest place to be is in the will of God. If you sense He is leading you back to attend church in person, *He will be with you and watch over you and your family.*

The phases outlined are subject to change based on updated information *and as we seek the Lord in prayer.*

PHASE ONE - Revival Groups and Watch Parties

Start Date

Week of May 25th

Sunday Service

Livestream only

Revival Groups

In-person meetings begin. Outdoor venues are encouraged. Technology will be available for those who are still quarantined.

Watch Parties

Revival Group leaders will facilitate gatherings to watch the weekly service (Sundays at 5PM). In order to be a part of a watch party you must be connected to a Revival Group. To join a group please visit: riverhouseministries.com/revivalgroups

PHASE TWO - Sunday Service

Start Date

Sunday, July 5th (subject to change)

Sunday Service

Meeting in-person Sundays at 5PM. Once the official date is announced, we will release all pertinent information regarding COVID-19 protocols, including plans for childcare.

Revival Groups

Continue to meet in-person

Watch Parties

Watch parties end