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Elders and Brethren
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Dear brethren:

Greetings from the Birmingham area - I hope everyone is well and safe there.

We enjoyed taking a week to visit our relatives in Texas last month, and Laura and I both are still recovering from bouts of homesickness! But it was a blessing to see those we could see, and I hope we can see more of you all on one of our next trips back home.

We're continuing efforts to livestream and publicize our worship in view of the COVID-19 restrictions, with some success, but without having generated additional visitors. At this point, having talked to some of the evangelists in the area, the consensus is that people appear to have settled in either to staying home and viewing (or sometimes not viewing) streaming worship, or going where they already feel comfortable.

It's a difficult time to reach new people, but we're hoping to do some sort of mailer or door-hanger campaign at some point this fall as people start to think about returning to worship.

We are likely going to lose one of our families, as they've elected to move closer to their family and where they are currently involved in adopting a child. This was one of our active, involved families, and so I'm concerned for the group's long-term health. Fortunately, our attendance has improved of late, as a couple of our chronically ill members have been present the last two weeks.

This past month, I began a series of lessons from the Sermon on the Mount, with emphasis on the Beatitudes in my first four lessons. I'll likely go back to this topic this coming months after a couple of other lessons (this past Sunday we discussed the purpose of assembling together.) We are continuing our Authority class through end of September, with Ezekiel coming up for Q4.

As always, my weekly lessons are available on a number of platforms including our Facebook channel, our YouTube channel, and our website at www.kimberlychurchofchrist.com.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers. God bless you and keep you safe!

In Christ,

Paul Hammons