

### **Pastoral Letter to the Ang Mo Kio Methodist Church Family (3 November 2021)**

Dear Family and Friends of AMKMC (TRAC),

Grace and Peace from our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

As announced last Sunday, we hope to extend our support to those within our Church community who are affected by COVID-19. Should you, or anyone you know amongst our church community have been impacted by COVID-19 (either as a patient or as a close contact), please let the Church Office know. Do visit <https://bit.ly/3vwZqOz> for more information.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we should neither be ashamed nor afraid of catching the COVID-19 virus. Both shame and fear are not of God's kingdom. The evil one uses shame and fear to isolate Christians, so that he may devour us. Scripture reminds us:

*Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*  
Hebrews 10:23–25

As mentioned in my previous pastoral letter, not allowing seniors above 60 years old to serve is merely a temporary measure to aid in the nation's stabilisation efforts. Whilst our nation's stabilisation effort continues and we are thankful for the younger ones who have stepped up to serve in October, moving forward, the church leadership once again welcomes all to serve, knowing that life is more than just our physical health. Our spiritual, emotional, mental, and social well-being matter too. Our only appeal is that seniors who serve onsite be fully vaccinated.

As we begin a new month, may I encourage all of us to once again gather for worship, to resume our service unto the Lord, to meet others for prayer and fellowship as much as current regulations allow us to. Let our worship, our service, our care for one another etc. be a testimony to the world that the Church of Jesus Christ is always alive, with or without a pandemic.

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."*  
Joshua 1:9

Yours sincerely,



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