

## CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCES FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE:

### Government:

- [World Health Organization COVID-19 Information](#)
- [CDC Main Resources Page](#)
- [CDC Resources for Community and Faith-Based Leaders](#)
- [Recommended Practices for Faith Communities](#) – U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- [State of Georgia Department of Public Health](#)
- [Carrot Health COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- [U.S. Small Business Administration's resources](#) for CARES Act 2020 (U.S. Stimulus Package for COVID-19)
- [U.S. Small Business Administration's FAQ Sheet](#) for CARES Act 2020

### Technological:

- [How To Do Church Online webinar](#)
- [ZOOM online conference call/meeting platform](#) – If your church does not have an online meeting software/service and is interested in trying ZOOM, please contact Jody Long, Executive Coordinator – [jlong@cbfqa.org](mailto:jlong@cbfqa.org) – for more information about receiving a technology grant to defray some costs.
- [The Church.Digital](#) – excellent collection of resources and weblinks for congregations who are engaging the world through a digital presence.
- [A Comparison of 5 Different Church Online Giving Platforms](#)
- [Christian Witness in a Technological Age](#) – YouTube lecture by Dr. Angela Gorrell, Assistant Professor of Practical Theology, Truett Seminary, Baylor University. Good academic lecture about the role of Christians in the technological world that we are inhabiting, especially during this season of physical distancing and isolation.

### Ministry Resources:

- [CBF Global COVID-19 Resources](#)
- [CBF Global Podcasts concerning COVID-19](#) – featuring Carol McEntyre, current CBF-Global Moderator, and Roger Jasper, pastor of Living Faith Baptist Fellowship in Kentucky
- [CBF Global's Prayers of the People](#)
- [Preparing Your Church for Coronavirus](#)
- [A Concise Coronavirus Guide for Churches](#) – from *Christianity Today*
- ["Embracing the Grace of COVID-19"](#) – Opinion article by Kathleen Parker, *The Washington Post*
- [Ten Guidelines for Pastoral Care During the Coronavirus Outbreak](#) – by Eileen Campbell-Reed, in *The Christian Century*
- [Emerging Church Practices](#) webinars, hosted by Pinnacle Leadership Associates, each Tuesday, at 11:00 am for FREE

- **Public Health Emergency Continuity Planning for Congregations**
- **Taking Care of Your Mental Health in the Face of Uncertainty**
- **Resources for Christian Leaders During the COVID-19 Crisis** – from *Faith and Leadership*, a publication of Duke University
- **The Ultimate Coronavirus Guide for Congregations** – a wonderful collection of good ideas and suggestions for congregations
- **No Kid Hungry Coronavirus Grant Request** – No Kid Hungry helps provide food for at-risk children through school and community partners. This grant opportunity is for those whose ministry of providing food security is threatened because of COVID-19.
- **Church Mutual's Coronavirus Information Page** – If your church uses Church Mutual for its property, worker's compensation, and other insurance needs, this is a good resource as you deal issues that may arise.
- All January – April 2020 **Smyth and Helwys' Formations, Connections, and Reflections online Bible Study and Sunday school** e-books are FREE
- **Intergenerational Bible Study sessions based upon the work of Mr. Rogers** – www.thethoughtfulchristian.com is providing this free resource for congregations. In late summer 2019, CBF/GA and partner congregation, Smoke Rise Baptist in Stone Mountain, hosted a Sunday school training event based upon the work of Fred Rogers. This is an excellent resource that could be adapted for distance learning and engagement.
- www.thethoughtfulchristian.com is providing its annual downloadable Lenten study pack for FREE – **Adult Participant Handouts** and **Adult Leader Guides**
- **Christianity Offers No Answers About the Coronavirus. It's Not Supposed To.** – Great read by New Testament theologian and author, Dr. N.T. Wright, about the need for lament during this season of grief and isolation.
- **A Public Service Announcement** filmed by CBF/GA partner pastor, Dr. Tony Lankford, FBC St. Simons Island, and his ecumenical Peer Learning Group.
- A **Pastors and Congregational Leaders Letter** from CBF/GA Executive Coordinator Jody Long concerning the CARES Act and other resources more recently available to congregations and church leaders
- Vanderbloemen, a church leadership resourcing group, offered this **webinar** about the CARES Act on Friday, March 27.
- Chaney & Associates, a church and non-profit consulting group, offered this **webinar**, in partnership with CBF of North Carolina on Saturday, March 28, addressing the CARES Act and implications for congregations.
- **CBF's Church Benefits Board CARES Act Summary for PPP**
- **CBF's Church Benefits Board FAQs for SBA Loans to Churches**
- **CBF's Church Benefits Board Retirement Plan Provisions of CARES ACT**
- **The Baptist Joint Committee's Response to the CARES Act**