



**NORTHCLIFF  
UNION CHURCH**

To: The Body of Believers at Northcliff Union Church,

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE LOCKDOWN**

On Monday 23rd March, our President announced unprecedented measures to address the rapid spread of the coronavirus.

We face this time in the knowledge that our all-powerful God is in control. We also know that God does everything for His glory and for our good (Rom.8:28; Job.2:9-10; Eph.3:20-21).

As the time for the lockdown approaches, I would like to share the following with you:

- Our regular church services on a Sunday will not take place at NUC, but we will harness technology to stream a message from my home directly into your home at 09h00 every Sunday until we are able to meet again. I would encourage you to set aside this time to meet in corporate worship. I trust that this time will reinforce the truth that we are created for community with Christ and each other. May our hearts yearn to be reunited as soon as possible!

You can either click on the link on our website [www.nuc.co.za](http://www.nuc.co.za), or subscribe to our YouTube channel directly by clicking [Northcliff Union Church](#) on the App.

- While preparing for this lockdown, ask God to show you how you can use this time of physical separation to grow in your discipleship journey. Without the bustle of our regular lives, is this not a great opportunity to really work on our prayer life, on reading the scriptures and good literature?
- Invest time in relationships during this period. Demonstrate love for one another by reaching out to others by phone or social media. Be a blessing to others by encouraging them in appropriate ways.
- If you are feeling really down or facing a crisis, our pastors are just a call or WhatsApp away to help you experience the comfort of Christ. We have set up a Hotline on 082 317 5867 for you to reach out.

Before the end of this 21 day period, we expect to hear from the government again in respect of the next steps for April and beyond. Once we are able to return to the Church, we will reconvene and communicate with you all as to when, and to what extent, we will resume our services and ministries.

May the Lord bless and sustain you during the next three weeks. We may be physically apart, but we are one body, and are privileged to draw our strength from Him.

Yours, in Christ,

**Gavin Wood**  
*Senior Pastor*  
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