

C1 Ministry Update

June 4, 2020



Welcome to summer!

We want to bring you an update on the ministries of C1 as we begin summer.

First of all, we want to say ‘thank you’ for your continued prayers, involvement and support during these last 10 weeks. We are living through historic times and so appreciate being a part of a caring church family.

We are leaning into what God may be saying to us through this time, believing He can position our congregation for greater impact as we move into the months and years ahead.

In the late days of winter before all the changes began, our focus was the vision behind Elevate 2020-2021. The brochure reads like this:

“The opportunity to make a difference in the lives of people has never been greater for C1. Our world is changing, and the pace is accelerating. Our message has never changed. Our methods continue to adapt to an ever-changing culture. We’re poised to impact 2020 while preparing for 2030.”

Our call to relevancy is now even stronger or more immediate. Join us in praying, obeying, serving and giving.

Here’s a snapshot of what is happening.

Strong At Home

- Staffing - We continue to have conversations with potential candidates for both Children’s and Worship pastor roles. This is a high priority.
- Online Campus – We are glad we had taken baby steps in this area over the last 24 months. This positioned us to have a solid start during the last 3 months. The importance of a strong, purposeful and quality online ministry is clear, and the time is now. We are making efforts to improve our streamed services and make a meaningful connection with those who will continue to choose this option.
- This online ministry has included our family ministries and that plan will continue into the summer. Ignite Student Ministries is tentatively planning a few in-person, outdoor gatherings that will be dependent what our state and local reopening plans allow.
- We have reduced our facility and operational expenses wherever possible while keeping our priorities in focus.

- What we have learned in recent days in regard to community and connection will guide our plans for the coming months.
- Our Preschool finished the year remotely, resourcing our families each week with materials, classroom calls and special year-end graduation recognitions.
- Nazarene Recreation had to cancel spring leagues along with the first month of summer ministries. We are hoping to be able to offer something in July and early August. You “met” our new Recreation Pastor, A. J. Bussey when he preached in late May. It will be nice to have him meet our C1 family in person soon.

Committed to Missions

- We continue to support local and global missions’ efforts, including meeting needs created by the pandemic.
- We have sent additional support to C1 missionaries serving around the world as they and their ministries face new challenges.

Developing Campus Ministries

- Our shared-facility transition in Austin is coming soon. Much work is being done with Pastor Rob as we look to a new day for ministry along with our partnership with By The Hand.
- Pastor Ivan Lopez continues to lead ministry in the Englewood community and our partnership with Feed, Clothe and Help. His passion for helping people in crisis is bringing hope and healing.

It is worth repeating...our call to relevancy is now stronger or more immediate. Together, being unified in praying, obeying, serving and giving will position us to be used by God to meet the needs of our neighbors, communities, nation and world.

We need God’s help and blessing.

We need each other.

We’ll keep you updated on our plans for reopening in the C1 Weekly, website and social media. If you haven’t seen Pastor Brian’s update from the service this past Sunday, you can watch it under Welcome to C1 section on the homepage of our website <c1naz.org>. We look forward to gathering on our athletic fields for services on Saturday, June 20 and Sunday, July 5, both at 6:00PM. We also are aiming for indoor services starting July 12 while continuing with our online campus services.

Thanks for your partnership in ministry, for His glory.

- Your C1 Pastoral Team