

To Campus Outreach Birmingham Students, Parents, & School Administrators,

The CO Leadership Team has been in regular discussion about the COVID-19 virus and what it means for our ministry presence on nine campuses in Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi. We have closely monitored the national developments of restricted travel and sport leagues canceling their seasons. We have gathered information from local, state, and federal public health, government officials, school administrators, and pastors as well.

We have decided that all Campus Outreach Birmingham employees will abide by state and campus specific health policies. If permitted, they will continue to meet with students in small groups or individually. We will comply with all mask and social distancing policies. All large group meetings on campus will be suspended indefinitely. As we minister to students, every step will be taken to minimize the spread of the disease.

Our staff are currently adjusting their ministry approach to offer more small groups and also virtual options for students who will return home for the remainder of the semester. The virus has already caused unprecedented anxiety and isolation among the student population. For that reason, spiritual guidance will be vital. It is important, that we heed the word of Hebrews and "not neglect to meet with one another" even if it is a virtual appointment. As we begin the new school year, we will not abandon the campus, and we will not be foolish. We are committed to taking reasonable precautions so that we do not spread the disease while continuing our work of "Building Laborers on the Campus for the Lost World."

The COB Leadership Team