

THE RETURN

Since March 15, 2020; we have physically been away from our building, and we have worshipped solely online via Facebook @beatme2thestar and Youtube #TEAMSTAR. We miss you so much; however, our main priority was to make sure that you stayed safe and continue to stay safe. We have been praying for you, and we thank you for your continued support via online attendance, giving, and your prayers on our behalf. It's because of God using people like you that we've made it thus far.

Now, we are planning to return to in person worship with a "grand re-opening" of September 12, 2021. There have been many turns and changes since our original plan has been in place. As of August 2021, COVID-19 numbers are soaring again. However, there still is a way to re-open **safely**. We have 60k+ square feet of building and we have wired additional rooms (STAR Cafe, STAR Fellowship II, STAR Game Room, STAR Gymnasium) with audio and video to host our Sunday services for the purpose of ensuring enough distance if needed.

Not long ago, the Lord gave us this Word:

Ecclesiastes 11:4 NLT

"Farmers who wait for perfect weather never plant. If they watch every cloud, they never harvest."

Those who wait on perfect conditions never make moves. Because COVID-19 is a moving target, there is not and will never be a perfect time to return to IN PERSON schools, work, church, etc. **but there is always a right time**, and we believe that the right time is NOW.

Therefore, we have chosen the Sunday after Labor Day **9/12/2021** as a grand re-opening date. Please see the guidelines below:

THINGS TO KNOW:

(1)Grand Re-Opening

On Sunday 9/12/2021, we will move to two services for our grand re-opening: 10a CST & 12N CST. We will only add services as needed. We will continue to host our services online for those who can't attend in person for various reasons.

(2)Cleanliness

We will have hand sanitizer stations set up in key places within our facility that are easily accessible.

Masks are required until further notice.

THE RETURN Updated And WHY NOW?

(A.)The 3 Groups Of People Via STAR Data:

- (1)Those away from in person worship and engaged but will return when we reopen....
- (2)Those away from in person worship and unengaged but will return when we reopen...
- (3)Those away from in person worship and engaged and will remain online....

(B.)Why We Are Reopening:

- (1.)To re-engage the unengaged
- (2.)We have a vaccine and people are now taking personal responsibility to vaccinate or to not vaccinate. We do strongly encourage everyone to get vaccinated.
- (3.)If we wait on the majority of the population to get vaccinated for us to reopen, we may never reopen; at some point (NOW), we must do what GOD has called us to do.

REASONS FOR IN PERSON WORSHIP:

(1.)Our Community Of Faith

Hebrews 10:23 NLT

"Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise."

-The Christian life is not to be lived alone. God intends for us to be around other like-minded believers to stir our faith.

(2.)Our Camaraderie With People

Hebrews 10:24 NLT

"Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works."

-Online worship allows us to receive God's Word, but it doesn't allow us to be motivated and inspired by each other's presence.

(3.)Our Commands From God

Hebrews 10:25 NLT

"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near."

-God commands us to meet together.