



UPC SAINT-LAURENT

# Church Bulletin

This is a bulletin for the English Ministry of UPC St-Laurent

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## News & Announcements

### Extra Prayer & Fasting August 3rd-6th

Please sign up for one or more hours on our website or on our online sign-up sheet by clicking the icon below:



God bless you for your sacrifice of time, sleep and food on behalf of lost souls and the needs of others.

### Regarding COVID-19 & Return To Worship

We are preparing for the return to worship in the House of God which will begin on Sunday, August 9, 2020. As you may have heard, the Government is now permitting

gatherings in churches with up to 250 people. However, the requirements also state that social distancing must be observed, which cuts down considerably on the capacity of the sanctuary.

After carefully measuring our sanctuary and balcony, we have estimated that with social distancing we can accommodate approximately 130 people per service. Therefore, it is evident that a reservation system will need to be put in place where you will be able to attend a Sunday Service once or twice per month.

Details on how to register will be made available online on our church website.

[www.upcsaintlaurent.org](http://www.upcsaintlaurent.org)

Attendance records at all meetings will need to be kept just in case that anything should take place such as an individual who has attended a meeting being diagnosed with COVID-19.

The health officials will request that all people who had attended that meeting be also tested. We pray that this will not be necessary. This is why we are setting up careful measures to take all precautions necessary to prevent any outbreak from occurring at our church.

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## Upcoming Events

### AUGUST

28th - Filipino Gospel Concert Online

### SEPTEMBER

4th - 6th Shockwave - **TBD**

11th - Welcome Back Night - **TBD**

12th - 13th - Evangelism Thrust - **TBD**

18th - 19th - Purpose Institute - **TBD**

## Weekly Online Schedule

Mondays 7 pm	FB Live Bible Study with Pastor Benjie
Wednesdays 8:15 pm	English Bible Study / HFG
Fridays 7:30 pm	FLAYME via Zoom
Saturdays 7 pm	Men's Prayer Meeting via Zoom
	Ladies' Prayer Meeting via Zoom
Sundays 10:15 am	Sunday Morning Worship
6:30 pm	Sunday Night Bilingual Worship

You will need to understand the following guidelines are not being put in place to be restrictive, but rather to be protective:

### 1. Before Coming To Church:

If you are sick with any symptoms – fever, cough, sore throat, gastro, etc. please rest at home until you have recovered. PLEASE - Do not come to church if you are ill!

### 2. At The Door:

When you arrive at the church please enter the doors at the front and on the right side. If there is a line-up, please respect the social distancing as you wait to enter. You then will be asked to:

- a. Sanitize your hands.
- b. Wear a mask – now mandatory in all indoor public places.
- c. Check in at the registration desk
- d. If you need to go to the washroom, you must go before service begins.

### 3. In The Sanctuary:

The ushers will lead you to your seat. You will not be able to choose your own seating place. Families and people living in the same house will sit together. Social distancing will apply between households as well as between single individuals. You will stay in your seating area until the service is over. You may stand for worship but not leave your place until dismissed. There will be no hand shaking, fist bumping, no hugging or kissing – no body contact with others.

### 4. During The Church Service:

- a. You must wear a mask. Children under 12 years old are exempt.
- b. You are **not** permitted to sing. You may worship with your hands and feet – clap, stomp, etc. while remaining in your place.
- c. Again repeating – you may not leave your seat until service is over – not even for the washroom.
- d. Offering – there will be no offering march or passing of the offering plates. Instead, the offering box will be placed on a table at the rear of the sanctuary to receive your offering. If you have found it more convenient to give via e-transfer, you may continue to do so.
- e. There will be no call to the front for prayer nor any gathering at the altar at the close of the service. Instead, the prayer after the preaching will be done at each individual's seat.


### 5. At The Closing & Dismissal:


- a. When the service has ended, the attendees will be dismissed section by section under the direction of the ushers. Social distancing will be in effect during both entrance and dismissal.
- b. As you exit the sanctuary and the building, the doors on your right will be used as the exit route.

### Personal Note From The Pastor


We thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we navigate through the current unusual circumstances. There will be a day when things will return to the normal that we have been accustomed to. Until then, we will continue to love God and worship Him, and continue to spread His Gospel so that lost people may be saved and made ready for Heaven. God bless you all! - Pastor Paul Graham

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