



South African
Council of Churches

What your church can do in the community



‘Love your neighbour as yourself’



1. Get organised

- Set up a COVID-19 crisis committee in your church. Connect with other churches in your community to coordinate your support.
- Use phones, WhatsApp or Facebook to reach out to people.



2. Make a list of people who need support in your community

- Give support to health care workers.
- Help the elderly, sick and destitute.
- Ask people to send in names and contact details of people who need help.
- Use a form like the one below to get feedback from people in need.

Hello! If you need our help during this time of Corona,
our church _____ **is here to help you**

What is your name? _____

What is your address? _____ Your age _____

What is your contact number? _____



What do you need help with?

Shopping Food A friendly call

Other _____

Remember - Take every precaution to spread only kindness.
Avoid Physical contact. Wash your hands often for at least 20 seconds.

Get Educated - go to www.sacoronavirus.co.za
Help line: 0800 029 999 | WhatsApp: 0600 123 456
Items will be left at your gate



3. Organise volunteers from your church

- There are different ways to help. Help with shopping or collecting medication. Leave it at the gate.
- Check in daily on members in need to see if they are okay. Text or call them.
- Help the needy with food and other supplies if you can.



4. Prayer groups

- Set up a COVID prayer group on WhatsApp and invite people to join it.



5. Get trustworthy information and share it with others

- It is very important that your information comes from a trusted source.
- Use the contact information below.



6. Set up a crisis fund

- People may suffer financially during this period. Encourage people who can to give more money than usual.
- Encourage your congregation to find ways to support local businesses.



7. Assist a church in a poorer community

- Reach out to a church in a poorer community.



For more information contact: 0800 029 999 | WhatsApp “hi” to 060 012 3456

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