



LIFECHURCH

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To our Church Members and Friends,

As you will remember on Saturday, 28th April at 8:20am an earthquake struck Folkestone.

The Life Church building received damage to its roof and structure. Although the damage was not severe enough to make the building unsafe to remain in, there is nevertheless a considerable amount of repair and structural work that needs to be carried out.

After some months of consultation with the insurance company and loss adjusters, it has been decided that the Life Church Sunday Services, Life Church office staff, Life Bible College and Oakwood School must vacate the building whilst the construction and repair work takes place. During these last few months, while the assessments of the building have been made, we have been making enquiries and plans to find a suitable venue to relocate for the duration of the building work.

You will find a 'Life Church Relocation Question and Answer' sheet and a 'Life Church Members and Friends Response Form'. We hope the information provided will begin to inform you of our plans. We will do our best to keep you updated with new information as final decisions are made regarding our relocation. We want to make this transition, and time of relocation as smooth as possible.

Life Church will continue to function in the same way it does now. All of our services, various areas/departments of ministry, Life Track sessions and dates, regular weekly events, kidz and youth ministries... absolutely everything will be running as normal...relocating will only add to the excitement. We sure appreciate you joining in on the adventure that lies before us and trust that 2008 will be a great year!

In Him,

Pastor Robert & Virginia

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Questions and Answers

What has happened to the building?

During the earthquake the building sustained substantial cracks to the roof which have caused considerable leaking into the premises every time it rains. The roof of the old warehouse section which is an asbestos material has been damaged and will need to be taken off and re-laid with a new roof, and the damaged suspended ceiling replaced. This means that the ceiling, lighting, fire protection system and PA system will need to be removed, the building covered with scaffold and a temporary roof protection erected, under which the builders will work. There is also damage to the brickwork of the main office block which will also need attention and repairs.

In order for this work to take place it is necessary for the Life Church office staff, Bible College and Oakwood School and Sunday Services to be moved from our current building to a temporary site for the duration of the work. There will be many builders on site and deliveries and storage of materials for the project.

How long will the building work take?

It is estimated that the building work will take between 12-16 weeks to complete. We will communicate how the building repairs are progressing at various stages and do our best to provide regular updates and information.

Will Life Church, Life Bible College, Oakwood School and Church Services run in the same way?

We will aim to keep everywhere functioning in much the same way as we do now. We plan for all our normal weekly meetings to continue and be held in our relocation venue.

When will the relocation take place?

At this time our plans are to relocate at the end of February or the beginning of March. More specific dates will be finalised between now and the end of January.

Does this also affect Life Church Sunday Services?

Yes, the building work does require church services to be relocated and held at another venue. We will announce the relocation venue for Sunday Services as soon as possible. The times for services will stay the same 10.30am and 6.30pm.

Will Kidz Church still run on Sundays?

Yes Kidz Church will continue for each age group in our relocation venue.

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What about the volunteer area I serve in?

(ie greeting/ushering/information desk)

We will run ALL of our church areas of ministry wherever we relocate and so all rotas/schedules will stay running – your team leader will let you know specific details appropriate to your area.

I registered for Life Track on Wednesday nights - will this still run?

Yes, Life Track will run on the same dates and times – we will let you know our venue for the Life Track sessions as soon as we can – keep the dates in your diary.

Friday night youth group?

Your youth leader will let you know your venue – these will all run as on your specific groups schedule.



LIFE CHURCH – WE'RE **HERE** FOR **YOU** the same in every way, just with a new location. Nothing will stop, we always move forward!

