

Letter 912
A Return To The Assembly
Part 1
The Spirit of Liberty
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Dear **Yeshua**,

Monday, 25 April 2022, 9AM

Beginning on Easter Sunday 2019, I began attending in-person Church services at (U27). After a few gatherings, I adopted (U27) as my home church.

But ever since the (Washington State) lockdowns of COVID-19 began in March 2020, our Church has been meeting exclusively online via ZOOM. This was because we lost our rental facility due to COVID, and have not been able to secure a replacement rental space since then.

So for that many years until now, my Church (U27) has been meeting online only. One of the many detriments with this scheme is that, with doing Church online only, it is impossible to avoid violating the doctrine found in Hebrews 10:25, which states: *"...not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."*

The laying on of hands in prayer (per Scripture) is also impossible with ZOOM.

But then, on 22 September 2021, I received an email from another Church (U19) about some special upcoming meetings to be held in November 2021.

I read the email, and then noticed something at the bottom. It stated the following:

"(U19) DOES NOT REQUIRE MASKS OR SOCIAL DISTANCING.
TO WEAR OR NOT TO WEAR IS YOUR PERSONAL DECISION."

This got my attention, and I knew the Spirit of Liberty was prevailing at (U19).

So, I looked on their website, and began attending scheduled meetings that fitted around my household duties and physical limitations.

One meeting which first grabbed my attention was a men's prayer breakfast that occurred once a month on a given Saturday morning. I checked the schedule, and saw that I was just in time to visit the next breakfast.

If memory serves me accurately, my first (post COVID-19) meeting at (U19) was the Men's Breakfast.

At the next meeting I attended, which was a prayer meeting, I received no less than three hugs. This was very comforting to me, and solidified my desire to attend services at (U19).

The third meeting I attended was a Sunday night meeting, which starts at 6PM. I discovered that I could attend the 6PM meeting, and still get back home in time to take care of my wife and household.

Since then, I have made an effort to attend as many Sunday night services as time and circumstance permit. I am very grateful for this. Thank You Jesus.

The following few Letters will document some unique experiences I have had already in my very short tenure at (U19).

Blessings...

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