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“Church is not a building where people meet a few hours a week, it's a people. We should work to extend the church experience beyond the confines of time and space in a building to an involved community that provides 24/7 support not only to members but also to our broader contacts.”
-Jamie Domm, NAD Digital Evangelism

Dear Maritime Adventist Employees and Members,

The Maritime Conference Board of Directors has voted to keep our church buildings closed until April 30. On or before this date there will be another reassessment of the situation. It is important to note that our provinces are still in a state of emergency, and we are calling for all our members to stay home, be safe and practice the already released proper protocols to protect against the spread of COVID-19.

Though we are not opening our buildings and are practicing physical distancing, let us not be distant in fellowship, faithfulness and love to each other, to our church and to our God! In the early church of Acts, there were many mandates, policies and regulations during that Roman time, but it did not impede the furthering of the Gospel. The Holy Spirit worked in and through people like never before in earth's history. Let this time be known as such - where we ministered as God's servants to a hurting world with the distinct message of *hope* and *wholeness* through the power of *Christ our Righteousness*.

Please take this time to reevaluate life; read through the final 10 chapters of The Great Controversy; be financially conscientious; see the value in the simple; give to God like never before with your time, talents and money; spend a thoughtful hour each day reflecting on the life of Christ, in particular His final hours; remember to value ALL people; and live lovingly in the grip of His grace - completely surrendered and sufficiently filled with His Spirit. Know that you are prayed for!

Blessings In Service,



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"THEY SHALL KNOW US BY
OUR LOVE."

