



*HOW DO WE  
**SERVE DURING  
THIS CRISIS?***

WITH  
**RODDY GARCIA**  
OUTREACH PASTOR,  
MARINERS CHURCH



## **PRIORITIZE**

- Feed the sheep: new opportunities for God's word
- Care for congregation: Used database and existing prayer/connections team to check in with the vulnerable among your congregation
- Run to community: Pray, assess, and care for the needs of our community

## **EXPAND AND PIVOT EXISTING CAPABILITIES**

- Don't try and build new ones straight away
- Use what's in your hands

## **SIMPLIFY THE VISION AND FOCUS**

- Global Pandemics break down barriers
- New roles
- New rhythms
- New partnerships are forming as multiple organizations are seeking to address COVID-19

## **MOBILIZE VOLUNTEERS**

- Leverage expertise (IE medical volunteers helping us assess mask quality, centers for distribution, and feasibility of COVID-19 on-site testing)
- People want to help and get out of their house
- Pacing ourselves to steadily increase opportunities as more folks become comfortable coming outside

## **KEEP ASKING QUESTIONS**

- Vulnerable youth in at-risk environments
- Mental health crisis
- When do we begin to transition from short-term to long-term solutions?



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