



mainly Ministries COVID Principles

"Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: "Love your neighbour as yourself." There is no commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:29-31

When Jesus was asked, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?", he replied with the above statement. To form these principles, we used this scripture passage along with the statements that make mainly Ministries unique.

1. We're in this together.
2. Together, we create joy-filled opportunities for Jesus to be revealed.
3. This is a proven approach for authentic connection

We're in this together

To be in this together, we welcome everyone. *Love your neighbour as yourself.* We encourage all those involved in mainly Ministries to remain focused and committed to this commandment. We acknowledge everyone is made in the image of God, despite our differences in response to COVID.

Genesis 1:27

Together, we create joy-filled opportunities for Jesus to be revealed

To create joy-filled opportunities, we need to create a space where people can fill with joy.

- There is biblical mandate laid out in Romans 13 to comply with government regulations and directives, where they don't breach biblical imperatives for the church and followers of Jesus. Compliance, even though at times inconvenient, enables safety and protocols to protect both partner churches, partner organisations, and attending families.
- We acknowledge and care about the vulnerability of pregnant women, young children, grandparents, and older aged volunteers.
- To do this together, mainly Ministries will do everything we can to contribute to partner churches/organisations and participating families for Jesus to be revealed through all we do.
- Knowing there are differing opinions in this journey, as an organisation, we will support every partner and family in any way we can, holding in tension Government regulations and directives. As an organisation, we are following Government regulations.

Romans 13:1-5

Galatians 3:29

This is a proven approach for authentic connection

To provide a place for authentic connection, both between Team Members and families, mainly Ministries acknowledges that this is not straightforward. It is essential to remind ourselves that God is in control; that He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow; that the rain falls on the just and unjust (in other words, everyone); and that He wants to authentically connect with all.

Romans 14:1-4, 10