



A GAME PLAN FOR THE NEXT 9 WEEKS

The Opportunity

We have an incredible opportunity on our hands. We are experiencing a collective pause as a society. Our ministries are disrupted; our schedules upended. And while there is grieving to be done, we have also been given a chance to step back, assess our lives and ministries, and live into simplicity (ordering our lives and ministries around what is most important).

The Mission

Our mission has not changed. We remain committed to seeing a generation of college students transformed by the power of Jesus Christ and His Gospel, in partnership with the local church, reaching the world for the glory of God. The context may be different, but this is what we do as the CCO. Our ministries were already contextual; let's now figure out ministry in our new context together!

Next Steps

Establish or adapt and follow a Rule of Life. Be sure to include daily prayer and scripture reading as well as practices like getting outside, rhythms of fasting/feasting, giving, service, and more. Remember, a Rule sets up the practices that orient your life towards God and godliness, the Rule itself is not the goal.

Teach students to follow a Rule as well. Many of the normal structures that give shape to students' schedules are suddenly gone. What an incredible opportunity to help them shape new faith-forming behaviors! Consider ways of doing this collectively as well. Host a noon prayer call or listen to scripture together using the Public Reading of Scripture over Zoom.

Assess your ministry. There is a lot that was happening in your ministry before your campus shut down. But there are also some things that you should change. This is a great opportunity to figure out what you were doing well (and can replicate digitally) and to lean into new rhythms that will move your ministry in the way you want it to go. Here are some questions to help you assess.

1. Where were non-Christians encountering the Gospel through my ministry?
2. How were student leaders leading the ministry?
3. How was your ministry functioning as a bridge between campus and church?
4. What are the new needs in your different contexts and how can you be developing leaders to address them?



Replicate the best of your work. Figure out how to move the best aspects of your pre-COVID-19 ministry online. Did you have student leaders leading awesome triads and small groups? Help them continue those with zoom or google hangouts. Were non-Christian students engaging your ministry through outreach events?

Try new things! Now is the time to think creatively and try new things that will allow you to reach every student on (or off, as the case may be) your campus. Here are some priorities that we commend to you during this time.

Stay healthy and help keep others healthy. Follow CDC guidelines and whatever protocols are put in place by your state or local governments. Coach students to understand that our precautions are done not out of fear that we will get sick, but out of compassion for the most vulnerable whom we want to keep healthy.

Meet practical needs and equip students to do the same. Email your partnership supervisor and ask how you and your ministry can serve the church at this time. Coach students to do the same. Check in with your literal neighbors. Help students draft a simple text that they can send to classmates asking how they are doing and how they can help. Email university leaders and ask how you can serve the campus. *Keep an eye towards opportunities to connect students, your church, and the campus.*

Keep students connected. There is so much potential for social distancing to turn into social isolation. But there is an unprecedented opportunity as well! Students are admitting their loneliness and desiring community! And guess what the church is?!? A community of believers! Be on the lookout for ways to connect students and members of your partner church. Your ministry should include Bible Studies, triads, Large Group Gatherings, and social events (check out the staff only site for ideas*), all with an eye towards non-Christians (be sure that you or a student leader follows up with any new person within 24 hours). As always, you should be equipping student leaders to run as much of this as possible (resourcing/coaching as they plan and debriefing after). *Pay special attention to seniors, international students, and students whose home and/or financial situations are challenging.*

Check in with your supporters. Share with supporters the ways that your ministry is adapting in this time and ask how you can pray for them.

Engage your professional development. Read good books and articles, participate in webinars and zoom calls, submit modules for the Arc of Discipleship. Think through how you would like to grow in this season (spiritual formation, cross cultural ministry, Biblical understanding, etc.) and make a plan to engage those topics!



Manage your time.

Not sure how to organize your time?

We recommend that you break out your time as follows:

ASPECT OF MINISTRY	WEEKLY HOURS ALLOTTED
Gatherings (preparation, execution & follow up)	11
Church/Partnership work and service	7.5
Developing Student Leaders	8.5
Professional Development	6
Support Raising Ministry	3.5
Email/Slack/Other Communication	2.5

Here's a sample calendar for how to structure this time. **Please copy this to your Google Drive** before editing blocks to fit your context—> <http://ccojubilee.org/quarantine-calendar>

For resources to help you engage this work, check out the staff only site here —> <https://ccojubilee.org/students/the-new-normal/>

Let us know what other resources we can provide.

https://ccojubilee.formstack.com/forms/training_in_the_time_of_covid19