

# “CONNECTION IN CHAOS”

## The Mix

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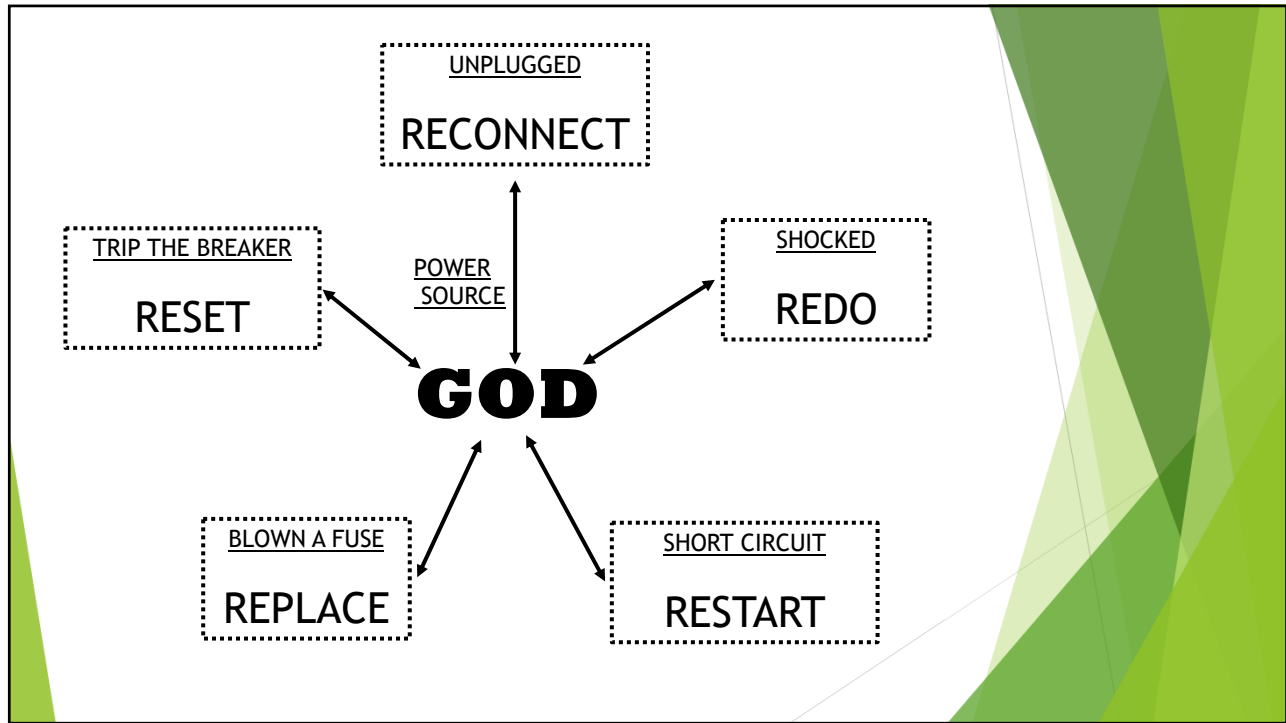
We may be limited in physical contact,  
but that doesn't mean we lose connection.

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## ***WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES***

- ❖ Defining Creative, Connection & Chaos
- ❖ Checking your “Power Source”
- ❖ Showing Gratitude & Kindness
- ❖ Believing God is in Control
- ❖ Sharing Connection Suggestions
- ❖ Returning to “Normal”

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*"Do I have to do this?"*

Match every  
"HAVE TO"  
with a  
"GET TO"

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## Remember...

Connect in a way that works for you,  
make it a habit, be creative;  
adapt, adjust, be flexible, and  
just begin.

“If you build it; they will come.”

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## CONNECTION SUGGESTIONS

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## CARE & CONNECT MINISTRY

### ❖ Weekly “Encouragement” Challenge Card, Text, Phone Call

- Pick 3 from the Church Directory
- 2- City or State Officials
- Worship Team
- Children’s Ministries Volunteers
- First Responders
- Retail Workers

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## CARE & CONNECT MINISTRY

### ❖ Weekly “Encouragement” Challenge Card, Text, Phone Call

- College Students
- Preschool to Grade 6 Students
- 7-12 Students
- The Mix Presenters
- Worship Service Prayer Teams
- Currently organizing Bethel Kids teacher’s name/school

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## CARE & CONNECT MINISTRY

Examples of cards and/or texts

### Worship Team

*Your music ministry has brought joy to our hearts.  
Thank you for making each service so special with your  
gift of music.*

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### 7-12 Students

*Continuing high school with on-line classes again seems a bit  
challenging. Completing school work and beginning to plan for your  
future during these unprecedented times may seem overwhelming.  
I'm praying you know that God is working even when you don't  
see it and He will carry you through this. Trust in His care!*

### College Students

*As you finalize your plans after high school graduation; I'm praying  
for God's clarity and wisdom as you move forward into whatever your  
future holds. Wherever your life takes you, let God's gracious hand  
guide you and His Love surround you.*

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Children's Ministries Volunteers

*You have a special calling to teach our children. Thank you for being an example of Christ's faithfulness and for showering kids with Christ's love. You're helping to make a difference in the lives of Bethel kids and God delights in you.*

Life Ministries Contacts

*As you start to see signs of fall and the season changing, may your heart know full well, "In an ever-changing world, we serve a never-changing God." Thankful you are able to watch Sunday services on-line as Bethel worships together.*

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## CHURCH 'ON-LINE' DIRECTORY

- ❖ Phone app
- ❖ Staff made weekly calls (4)
- ❖ Church Board, Life Ministries Team (15)
  - Write, call, text

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Suggestions for talking points when calling:

- Introduce yourself and mention that you're on the Bethel Life Ministries Team and we're calling to keep connected.
- Ask how they are doing and if there is anything the church can help them with at this time.
- Ask about their family and how their family is doing.
- If you're comfortable with it, share how God has been with you/us during this time.
- Ask if there's anything they'd like you to pray with them about.
- Remind them, if they miss the services, they can go the website and access archived sermons.

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## WORD OF THE DAY

- ❖ Scripture and brief devotional from Pastor Jim
  - Monday-Saturday
  - Facebook or Email
- ❖ Proverbs 31
- ❖ Church Volunteers

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## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES COUNCIL PRAYER GROUPS

- ❖ 8 groups
- ❖ Praying weekly
- ❖ "How can I pray for you?"
- ❖ Say it, write it, send it
- ❖ Church - "Pray Now"

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## AFTER-SCHOOL TIME

- ❖ Break time for kids and parents
- ❖ Held at church
- ❖ Church Volunteers
- ❖ Reading Buddies

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## VIRTUAL

- ❖ Zoom, Facetime, Skype, Google Hangouts, Marco Polo
  - Weekly
  - Storytime for kids
  - Weekly challenge
  - Coffee/Tea Chats
  - Group Prayer Time
  - Bible Studies

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## ONCE-A-WEEK/ONCE-A-MONTH

- ❖ Dinner table, text, email, Facebook
  - Funny picture
  - Favorite Scripture
  - Gratitude Prompt
  - Pizza Night
  - Favorite Recipe Night
  - 3 Favorite Things Night
  - Photo Share Day

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## FAMILY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

### ❖ PUT PEN TO PAPER

- School Staff
- Church Staff
- First Responders
- UPS, FedEx
- Mail Carrier
- Garbage Collector
- Neighbor

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## FAMILY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

### ❖ GO OLD SCHOOL

- Phone call check-in

### ❖ HEAD FOR THE HILLS

- Walking, hiking, biking, camping

### ❖ COMEBACKS

- Snail Mail
- Front porch
- Thank you wave

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## FAMILY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

- ❖ Blow the dust off board games and puzzles
- ❖ Movie night on the lawn
- ❖ Storytime
- ❖ Gathering at the park, parking lot, school field, playground, driveway, garage

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## FAMILY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

- ❖ Heart in the window supporting healthcare
- ❖ Coloring picture challenge
- ❖ Chalk Walk
- ❖ Window Zoo
- ❖ Scavenger Hunt Walk
- ❖ Park Picnic
- ❖ Porch Drop
- ❖ Kindness Rocks, Inspiration Stones
- ❖ Tailgating

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## FAMILY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

- ❖ Senior Center
- ❖ Prayer/Scripture Shareables
- ❖ Acknowledge others
- ❖ Make it rain compliments
- ❖ Outreach Project

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## 2020 CHANGES FOR THE BETTER

- ❖ Appreciation for the Small Blessings
- ❖ Compassion
- ❖ Creativity
- ❖ Togetherness Despite Limitations
- ❖ Greater Appreciation for Teachers & Homeschooling

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## 2020 CHANGES FOR THE BETTER

- ❖ Renewed Interest in Reading and Writing
- ❖ Increase in Family Meals and Cooking at Home
- ❖ Right Perspective of Ourselves
- ❖ Return to Bible Reading and Prayer
- ❖ Spiritual Innovation

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## “REFRESHED” NORMAL

Hebrews 13:8 (NIV) *“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”*

In an ever-changing world, we serve a never-changing God.

Let’s stay connected to that “Power Source”.

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# QUESTIONS???

## ADDITIONAL CONNECTION SUGGESTIONS???

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### SOURCES:

- ❖ [Crosswalk.com](http://Crosswalk.com)
- ❖ [WomensMinistryToolbox.com](http://WomensMinistryToolbox.com)
- ❖ [incourage.me/library](http://incourage.me/library)
- ❖ [Beautyandbedlam.com](http://Beautyandbedlam.com)
- ❖ [MaxLucado.com](http://MaxLucado.com)
- ❖ [Christiancamppro.com](http://Christiancamppro.com)
- ❖ [ibelieve.com](http://ibelieve.com)

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