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Christian Life College Family:

I want to express appreciation for all of the prayers, encouraging words, and financial support that our college has received over the past several months. Every institution of higher education is facing the unique challenge of navigating a global pandemic while moving forward with the goal of providing a quality educational experience for its students. CLC is no exception to this challenge; further, we are driven by our divine purpose to train men and women in the Apostles' doctrine and to equip laborers for the Lord's harvest.

The College's Board of Directors has determined that the best path forward for the 2020-21 school year is to provide an opportunity for students to be part of CLC's campus community. The greatest impact of a Christian college is found in the dynamic experience of campus life, where students are immersed in a spiritual environment and are able to build lifelong friendships with other faith-filled believers. At the same time, operating a campus in the midst of the current climate requires the establishment of strict protocols to maintain the safety of the entire college community – students, staff, and faculty.

The safety protocols for the 2020-21 school year have been published and are available at clc.edu/COVID-19. These protocols will be rigidly enforced; those who will not comply will forfeit their right to be part of the campus community. On-campus students are also required to abide by the College's attendance policies and the campus guidelines contained in the Student Handbook.

We are aware that for some students, returning to campus at this time is not ideal; in several cases, it is not feasible. To address this, every course for the fall semester will be offered via a hybrid instruction model. This means that each class will be streamed live through our Canvas learning management system. Our IT department has worked this summer to increase our streaming capabilities in our classrooms so that remote learners will have an authentic educational experience through the live online delivery of course lectures.

We want every student to be confident and comfortable in how they will engage their educational experience at CLC. Attending college is a personal decision that usually involves conversations with family and spiritual leadership. Moving onto a college campus in this season should also involve frank discussions with pastors and parents. For those who might not be ready for this move at this time, the remote instruction model will allow all students (new or returning) to engage/continue their educational journey even if they choose to not be a member of the campus community for this semester. For more information, please contact your academic advisor.

While we have established our plans for the semester, please understand that the current situation is fluid and may change accordingly. As a college in California, we are subject to pertinent government and health authorities. Additionally, Christian Life College resides on a campus owned and operated by Christian Life Center; as such, the College is subject to any facility requirements that the Center may deem necessary for safety and security. Should our established plans have to change or be adjusted, we commit to communicating promptly and clearly with our college community.

Please continue to pray that the Lord will bless this school year and that He will protect our students, staff, and faculty. Our enrollment numbers have increased significantly, and we are trusting God to help us facilitate a larger student body. Whichever modality students choose (in-person or remote instruction), our commitment is to provide a quality education that stays faithful to our principles and ideals. The mission of Christian Life College is "to equip men and women to become influential servant-leaders by offering a biblically based education in an environment of focused spiritual development." With the help of the Lord Jesus Christ, this mission will continue.

Sincerely,

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