

## April 2020

As I record this month's Jeremiah Journal from home, I hope and pray you and your family are doing well and staying safe.

This Holy Week is one none of us will ever forget. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused historic disruption to our lives and churches. Yet I've been encouraged and blessed by the many reports I've heard about how you are creatively adjusting in this unique and difficult time. You are doing an outstanding job faithfully ministering the good news of Jesus Christ to your congregations and communities. What I see is the church being the church in what many of you are calling "the church's moment."

An important part of our moment this week is the Good Friday Call to Prayer and Fasting. We'll join with what could be millions of believers in our country crying out to the Lord as we continue to endure this pandemic.

More than two weeks ago now, my counterparts in the PCA and Anglican Church in North America and I discussed banding together for this special event. When we agreed to Good Friday, I wondered then if our timing was right. It's now obvious to me that God was leading us in our April 10 decision.

I hope you'll set aside time and meals this Friday to seek our Lord and God as perhaps you never have before. The list of groups that are joining us now includes ECO, the ARP, the CRC, the Christian and Missionary Alliance, Converge, and others connected to the National Association of Evangelicals.

Together, these groups represent millions of believers in Jesus Christ. I hope your heart and voice will be one of those participating as we seek our Lord on Good Friday. We've posted a number of resources on our website, including suggested prayers and other materials. I hope you will find them useful.

Thank you, God bless you, and remember—especially this week: He is Risen!