

**Dear
Tsu-Kung and Marie,**

I am sad to say that given the current Coronavirus crisis, EGC is cancelling our April 4th Urban Ministry Party and Fundraiser, and instead will pivot to an online event. In addition, we will be having an Open House at our new facility in Dorchester in late June (if things calm down by then).

This is an extraordinary time, and I trust that the Lord is at work in the midst of all the challenges. The EGC staff and board will be praying for you, and for the Greater Boston community, and we will do our part to "flatten the curve" and help minimize the potential devastating impact of this pandemic locally. Cancelling our fundraiser is just one small step we can take to help promote social distancing.

EGC's annual fundraiser is not only essential to raise money needed for EGC to do its work, but also is a key element of our missional strategy to build stronger relationships in the Body of Christ in Greater Boston. I am sorry that our urban ministry party will not take place this April, and I will miss seeing you on that night. EGC remains as committed as ever to our mission of strengthening Christian leaders in urban Greater Boston, and we look forward to continuing to partner with you in seeing the name of Jesus lifted up in our city.

While we are not having a party on April 4th, there are still several ways you can participate in EGC's work:

- **Make a donation.** We still have two \$25,000 matching challenges to fulfill, one for any gift given for the (now virtual) fundraiser, and one for gifts of \$5,000. or more. These gifts make it a great time to give to EGC, with your gift doubled by the matching challenge. **Click below** to make a donation to support EGC.

https://www.egc.org/give?utm_source=Copy+of+EGC+Fundraiser+Invitation+Follow+Up&utm_campaign=2016+EGC+Fdr+Invitation&utm_medium=email

(Or copy and paste the above address to your browser to view the page.)

- **Buy an item in our Silent Auction.** EGC's annual silent auction will move online, with items from Celtics tickets (for next season) to special dinners with EGC staff members. The auction will open Friday, April 3 and close Saturday, April 4 at 8 pm. We'll send a link soon. Every penny spent on the auction contributes to EGC's work.
- **Watch our new videos.** We had some fun content planned for April 4th, which we will now release on video. We will send links to the videos in April so you can connect more with EGC's work in the city.
- **Come to the Open House.** Although we will not be having our party on April 4th, we are excited to host an open house in late June at our new facility in Codman Square. Please stay tuned for more information on this event.

I am grateful for your partnership with us in ministry, and look forward to seeing what God will do with us in the weeks and months ahead.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'JB'.

Jeff Bass

Executive Director, Emmanuel Gospel Center

P.S. A great way to stay updated on our upcoming online event is to tune in on Facebook. **Click below** to view the Facebook event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/613359592776630/>

(Or copy and paste the above address to your browser to view the page.)