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Luke 2v8-18: The Christmas Story is a Paradigm for Evangelism

The shepherds were marginal people who:

- Heard the gospel
- Believed the gospel
- Confirmed the gospel
- Spread the gospel

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Three-Tier Coronavirus Alert System



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Medium Risk Alert

- Same restrictions as at present
- 'Rule of 6' applies to indoor and outdoor gatherings

Exemptions

- Weddings 15 people
- Funerals 30 people
- Children & Youth activities
- Support Groups
- Work purposes

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Medium Risk Alert

Implication for churches

- Public worship - no mingling between qualifying groups
- Meetings in home - max 6
- Bible Study/Prayer Meetings in Church

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High Risk Alert

- Indoor gatherings only members same household/linked household
- Outdoor gathering only 6 people
- Not to participate in gatherings in other areas that contravene these restrictions
- Fines £200-£6400
- Linked childcare households for informal childcare children under 13

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High Risk Alert

Exemptions

- Work/provision charitable services
- Education/Training
- Supervised activities for children
- Provision informal child care if is linked childcare household
- Care/assistance vulnerable person
- Support groups on up to 15 people (not in private dwelling)

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Exemptions (continued)

- Weddings up to 15 people
- Wedding receptions up to 15 people
- Funerals up to 30 people
- Commemorative events after death (e.g. wake) up to 15 people (not at private dwelling)
- Visiting a person reasonably believe is dying
- Visiting a person receiving treatment in hospital or staying care-home or hospice

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Exemptions (continued)

- Accompanying to medical appointment
- Remembrance Sunday (spectators participate alone or as household group)

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Implications for churches

- Attend services (indoors and outdoors) only as individuals/household group (includes linked households)
- May not become member any other group participating in the gathering
- May not otherwise mingle with any person participating in the gathering
- Meetings in private homes - up to 6 outdoors
- Small groups in church building - qualifying groups only members household

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- Outdoor gatherings in public place up to 6 people from same household/linked household
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- No meetings private homes (household only)
- Small groups in church building - qualifying groups must be members household/linked household

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