



## NCCOGOP COVID-19 Directives

In order to remain in compliance with the Covid-19 Directives, and continue to be a part of the solution in the battle against the spread of Corona Virus, all North Carolina Church of God of Prophecy Local Congregations in accordance with the National, State and Local Official guidelines are hereby instructed to suspend all corporate gatherings. This suspension is effective today May 1, 2020 and will extend until the North Carolina Governor determines that the State of North Carolina is officially reopened.

This directive includes Cowboy Church Services, Outside Church Services, and General Corporate Gatherings that are not in compliance with National, State and or Local guidelines. Make sure that you check your local guidelines.

Remember; to operate outside of the Local, State and National guidelines is to jeopardize yourself and the church personally and legally.

Moreover, if Drive In Church is allowable in your City and or County, as outlined by the Governor's guidelines, and there is a desire to worship in this way Pastors should carry out at least the following:

1. Confirm that you are Incorporated as a Local Church Congregation
2. Contact your insurance Carrier to assure that you have appropriate and adequate Insurance protection
3. Consult your local church governance board or committee for a recommendation to have said service.
4. If your board or committee agrees to proceed, then they should present this recommendation to the local church. Note: to miss this step is to set yourself up for personal liability. Remember, you are an agent of the church and not the sole decision maker.
5. Pastor should inform the Regional Bishop that the church is planning to hold Drive In Church.

When making your decision you should also give consideration regarding the age, health conditions and ability of your parishioners to attend a Drive In Church.

In keeping with the National, State and Local guidelines, you are to:

1. Keep the church locked and bathrooms unavailable
2. Maintain the proper distance in accordance with the guidelines
3. Prohibit personal contact of your parishioners
4. Any and all other essential precautions to safeguard the health of those attending

*The instructions provided in this memorandum should not be construed as State Office/State Bishop approval and/or an endorsement for having Drive In Church. The instructions are only intended to provide direction for "doing things the right way" should your local church decide to take the allowance made by National, State and Local authorities as it pertains to Drive In Church in your area. Make sure that you KNOW and FOLLOW ALL of the guidelines required by National, State and Local authorities.*

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Bishop Davis