

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION OF SA DIE APOSTOLIESE GELOOFSENDING VAN SA



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AGS Kollega,

Ek wil almal bedank wat deel was van die AGS Nasionale Dag van Gebed en Vas verlede Sondag. Ek het boodskappe van waardering ontvang van vele Pastore asook lidmate. Ons is wel nog nie uit die gevaarsone nie. Ons moet dus aanhou om vir ons mense in te tree deur middel van gebed.

1. VROUEDAG EN VROUEMAAND

Op 8 Maart het ons Internasionale Vrouedag gevier. Hierdie komende Sondag, 9 Augustus 2020 vier ons Nasionale Vrouedag in Suid-Afrika. Ons vier ook die hele Augustus as vrouemaand. Ek wil van hierdie geleentheid gebruik maak om alle AGS-vroue 'n gelukkige vrouedag en 'n gelukkige vrouemaand toe te wens!

2. BEGRAFNISSE

Begrafnisse is nog steeds 'n gevaarsone as dit kom by die verspreiding van die Koronavirus. Dit is hoofsaaklik as gevolg van 'n gebrek aan die toepassing van die Koronavirus-protokol soos sosiale afstand, die dra van maskers en die ontsmetting en was van hande met seep en lopende water. Ongelukkig is hierdie die geval by die begrafnisse van hoëprofiel individue. As AGS-leierskap het ons die standpunt ingeneem dat leiers en lidmate ten alle koste die oordrag van die virus moet vermy en eerder kanale van hoop moet bly. In hierdie verband wil ek 'n beroep op alle Pastore maak om alles te doen om te verseker dat besmetting by ons begrafnisse verhoed word. Ek het die vrymoedigheid geneem om 'n riglyndokument vanaf www.churchinaction.org.za vir jou as verwysing in te sluit:



How to Conduct Funerals

New government regulations – 2nd April 2020

Funerals are a difficult time for families, as they grapple with the loss of someone they love. But in this time of CORONA we cannot conduct funerals as before. The virus spreads very easily from person to person. So to protect ourselves and others, we can no longer congregate in large groups.

Can we have funerals?

- Our government declared a lockdown on 26 March 2020 to try and stop the spread of the virus. We were asked to stay at home and all social gatherings were made illegal.
- However, our government has made an exception for funerals because they understand how important proper burials are.
- Please follow the special rules they have laid down for funerals.

How many people can attend a funeral?

- Only 50 people are allowed to attend a funeral, including the minister who conducts the funeral.
- The funeral undertaker is not counted in the 50.

Who can attend a funeral?

- A husband, wife or partner.
- A child of the deceased, whether biological, adopted or stepchild.
- A parent, whether biological, adopted or stepparent
- A sibling, whether biological, adopted or stepbrother or sister.
- A grandparent.
- A person who has had a close relationship with the deceased in a parental or caregiving role.

What to do at the funeral?

- It is important at the funeral to practice good hygiene and physical distancing to protect yourself and others.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or a sanitiser.
- Keep a distance of at least 2 metres from other people.

If somebody is sick can they go to the funeral?

- If you or any of the other mourners have a sore throat, dry cough or fever (feel a rising body temperature) you may have the CORONA virus.
- In order to get better and not make others sick, you must stay at home.
- It is difficult to make this decision. Try to find comfort in private prayer.

Can we travel to a funeral in another district or province?

Many people want to be buried at their ancestral home. So the government has made it possible for people to travel to funerals in different areas. If you are going to a funeral, these instructions will help you to stay safe.

- Each mourner needs a special permit to travel.
- To get a permit you must go to the station commander at a police station or the 'head person' at a magistrate's office. Take the original or a copy of the death certificate with you. You will also have to complete a form.
- If you do not have a death certificate they will ask you to make a sworn statement (affidavit).
- Only 2 family members are allowed to travel with the body of the deceased.
- You cannot stay with family or friends. You must stay at a guesthouse or lodge and present your permit to the owner.
- You are not allowed to hold a night vigil. This is because the virus spreads very easily when people are in close contact.
- You may only stay in the area of the funeral for 48 hours.

How can we support the family of the deceased?

It is difficult not to attend the funeral of a loved one. If you cannot attend the funeral, there are other ways that you can support the family, pay your respects to the deceased and offer comfort and support.

- Light a candle.
- Write a short message that can be read at the funeral.
- WhatsApp or phone the family to comfort them and offer your help.
- Contribute towards the funeral and travel costs.
- Say a prayer for the deceased on the day of the funeral.
- Keep in contact with the family after the funeral.

If you need assistance or support during these difficult times
contact your local pastor.

3. KAPELAANSDIENSKOMITEE

Op die onlangse Nasionale Leierskapsforum is die nuwe AGS-kapelaansdienskomitee aangestel. Hulle is Dr. Henri Weideman (Voorsitter), Past. Florence Sibanyoni (Sekretaris), Past. John T. Lempe (Suid-Afrikaanse Polisie diens AGS-skakelbeampte), Past. Vincent Grobler (Departement van Korrektiewe Dienste AGS-skakelbeampte) en Past. John N. Jaftha (Suid-Afrikaanse Nasionale Weermag AGS-skakelbeampte). Ek vra om hulle in jou gebed te hou.

My gebed is dat God jou sal onderhou, jou krag sal gee en jou sal lei terwyl jy voortgaan met jou bediening onder moeilike en pynlike omstandighede tydens die Koronavirus tydperk.

Seën!

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