

## 基督教新加坡长老会

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Dear Senior Ministers and EDC/Session Clerks,

## Re: Guidance from MCCY on the resumption of more activities in places of worship in Phase 2 from 19 Jun 2020.

Greetings in the name of our Lord.

We have just received the MCCY Advisory dated 18 June 2020 early this morning. Please note the following **important key points**:

1. Places of worship may resume congregational and other worship services, capped at no more than 50 persons in the premises at any one time (excluding religious and supporting workers, which should be kept to a minimum), subject to safe management measures. Individual worshippers are to maintain a 1 metre separation, or 1 metre between groups of up to 5 persons. Singing and other live performances are still NOT permitted during the worship service.

a. Marriage solemnizations, funerals and wakes and installing niches can involve up to 20 persons (excluding the solemniser for marriage solemnizations, and excluding religious workers and supporting workers for funeral-related activities). Guests not limited to immediate family members.

b. **Pastoral services, religious classes and religious rites in groups of up to 5 persons** (excluding the pastor / teacher), with safe management measures. Where necessary, there can be multiple groups of 5 in the same activity, so long as each group of 5 is separated by at least 1 metre with no mingling across groups. As a best practice, MCCY encourage a greater separation of 2 metres between groups of students.

2. Places of worship may continue with the **recording of religious services involving up to 10 persons, of which up to 5 persons can temporarily remove their masks when speaking / singing**.

3. Religious Organizations (ROs) **must submit their Safe Management Plans (SMPs) at least 3 days before commencing Phase 2 activities**. This includes ROs which have earlier submitted their SMPs in Phase 1. More details of SMPs' submission can be found at <u>www.cpro.gov.sg</u>.

4. NCCS is organising a Q&A for pastors and church leaders in English on Monday, 22 June @ 5pm and Chinese on Tuesday, 23 June @ 10am. They will send out the invitation and link to all members. Please sign up for the session if you have any questions regarding this matter.

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Please refer to the attached MCCY's advisory at www.cpro.gov.sg for more detailed guidance.

May the Lord grant us wisdom and protection as we seek to be a responsible witness to our community, as well as protect our members.

God bless.

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