

## Faith Community Partners

Observing our respective faiths during this time of COVID 19 can be challenging.

We understand that many communities of worship have made changes to how they practice their faith in order to slow down the spread of COVID 19. These changes have helped public health in our fight against this virus and we are grateful for you.

We learn more about this virus each day and because of that the Centers for Disease Control and the Georgia Department of Public Health are continually updating guidance on the best way to protect ourselves.

This information can be found on <https://www.cdc.gov/> and <https://dph.georgia.gov/>

To protect the Public, we ask that events that will have 10 or more people follow this guidance...

*\*To slow the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and reduce the number of people infected, The Georgia Department of Public Health (GDPH) recommends that organizers of events that draw more than 10 people cancel, postpone or modify these events or offer online streaming services until further notice.*

*These events include large gatherings where people are in close contact (less than 6 feet), such as concerts, conferences, sporting events, faith-based events, and other large gatherings.*

### HAVE QUESTIONS?

We would like to invite dialogue and share guidance regarding COVID-19 response for the faith based community (Churches, Temples, Synagogues, and Mosques etc.). The West Central Health District will host a online and phone Q & A session for our faith leaders on Friday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am for anyone interested:

#### Meeting link:

<https://wchd.webex.com/wchd/j.php?MTID=m89e42dfbbb6895dd6cebece6d601b852>

**Meeting number:** 791 863 322 - Password: COVID2020\*

or Join by phone - +1-415-655-0002 United States Toll Free

**To help the faith community navigate the large amount of information on CDC we've put together a few direct links that will help.**

#### RESOURCES:

The Centers for Disease Control has guidance specifically for places of worship to help them battle this virus and protect their congregants.

These resources can be found at ...

Resources for Faith Based Leaders - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/index.html>

Interim Guidance for Administrators and Leaders of Community- and Faith-Based Organizations to Plan, Prepare, and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/guidance-community-faith-organizations.html>

Checklist for Community and Faith Leaders - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/checklist.html>

Cleaning and Disinfecting Your Facility - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>

FAQs for Administrators and Leaders at Community- and Faith-Based Organizations - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/community-faith-based/faq.html>

\*\*Please share this with your faith leaders.

Thank you

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