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To
All ministers in the District Apostle Area

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Coronavirus – Regelungen ab 4. Juli 2022

The discussion and public perception of coronavirus has receded somewhat into the background against the backdrop of other distressing issues. We do however have to take note that the corona virus infection rate is rising again, but in a weaker form and with a much lower quota of hospital admissions. This suggests to me that we have reached a phase where we have to simply learn live with the virus and the resulting health issues. and accept that the protective measures have ultimately failed to completely destroy the virus.

We have to continue to monitor the impact of the virus and in particular the consequences it has in our society and our health. Based on today's reality I would like to update the regulations for our church as follows:

1. Hygiene regulations such as the provision of disinfectants, treatment of surfaces are no longer necessary
 2. The wearing of mouth and nose coverings, including when entering and leaving the church premises, will be optional for ministers and brethren.
 3. Brethren who wish to keep a distance shall be allowed to do so as far as that is possible at the venue.
 4. Attention must be given to ventilating a venue wherever that is possible
1. Before the celebration of Holy Communion and acts of blessing, the ministers involved shall disinfect their hands. Disinfectant shall be provided in the altar area for this purpose.
 2. The ministers can choose themselves if they wish to wear a mask when dispensing Holy Communion or performing acts of blessing.
 3. Brethren are also free to choose if they wish to wear a mask while attending a Divine service.



These regulations are valid until further notice and replace all previously issued guidelines. All church events can also take place under these regulations until further notice provided they also meet local Government regulations.

Yours,

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