

Greetings Greater New York Conference Family,

The last few weeks have impacted our lives and changed our routine. By now, you probably know of someone that has tested positive for COVID-19 including members from our conference. I praise God for the way that as a church family we are responding to this crisis.

- I thank you for cooperating and following our government's social distancing guidelines and for staying at home. This will greatly help in saving lives.
- I also thank you essential workers for your sacrifice as you provide service to the community and take care of basic necessities. You are an example of courage and sacrifice
- Our teachers and students are living in a new reality. 100% online teaching and learning. Teachers be brave and continue doing the best(ojo or to do the best) for God as you teach and study. Lord has promised to give you wisdom.
- The administration and I are very pleased with the commitment to ministry from our workers.

Our office staff, ministry directors, departmental leaders and pastors continue to provide support in their respective areas as they work from home.

We are keeping everyone informed by hosting video and tele-conferences to address the issues we face.

- Thank God for providing the means for the ministry to continue by doing it online. Although we have some clear limitations in what we can do, God is using our limitations through social media, to glorify His name.
- I thank you for your faithfulness to duty, your financial support for the mission of the church.
- It is our desire to keep you as safe as we possibly can and so we have decided to cancel all of our camp meetings except for the United Camp meeting in September.
- We have kept the ABC doors open for your convenience to provide you with the essential books and food items you made need.

- Finally, let me remind you of the story of Noah. Noah was in lockdown for one year during the flood. But during that time, he had a mission to preserve his family and the animals in the ark.
- You have a mission at home, first to your family in the ark, and second to the network of people outside the ark. You still have to do ministry while you are in the ark.
- The good news is that the rain will stop. The Rainbow will appear and we will be able to step outside the ark into the streets of New York to bless humanity with our presence and the blessings and love of God.
- Again, I thank you for your faithfulness and devotion. Stay safe and may the grace of Jesus Christ be with you all-