

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

We hope that you and your families are staying safe and healthy. As the COVID guidance continues to evolve, we remain dedicated to the safety, health, and well-being of our convention constituents. While stay at home orders are currently lifted and local businesses are open, please remember there are still very important safety guidelines that should be followed at home, work and as individuals residing in our communities. We are grateful for each of you during this challenging time and we encourage everyone to continue our efforts at work and home to control the spread of COVID. Working together, we will get through this.

The work of our convention ahead is not easy, and we are hoping to continue to navigate it as best as possible TOGETHER. While this year has been very unpredictable, we are still optimistic that our convention will come out on the other side of this as a stronger community of believers and with a clear understanding of our stewardship and accountability toward the work of our heavenly Father.

It is clear, given the continuing trajectory of the pandemic, that our upcoming June Young People's session will have to, again, be different. As our staff plans, we will continue to prioritize the health of our constituents, whether that be spiritual, mental health or wellness. As we plan, we must remain vigilant knowing how rapidly our climate can change, we will continue to move forward in a phased way, using the best information we have and consistent with public health guidelines.

In order to communicate our upcoming plans, we would like to have a non-traditional planning session whereby "we all come together" and discuss the best feasibility for our 2022 Young People's Session. Our planning session will be hosted virtually on Saturday, February 5th 10:00 am-11:15 am. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the key question? "How to best host a viable Young People's Session amidst the current climate concerns?"

It is vital that you will attend our virtual planning session as it will assist in the final decision of how we will proceed in hosting our upcoming 2022 Young People's Session.

Yours in Christ,

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