

Ridgewood Missionary Baptist Church



AN IMPORTANT UPDATE: OUR RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Guidance/Best Practices to Execute CDC Precautionary Recommendations within Faith Based Organizations

Successful adherence to all precautions will require that all members/visitors who attend worship service to agree in helping to prevent/stop the spread of infectious disease.

FACE MASK/COVERINGS is required upon entry and must be worn at all times while on premises and throughout the duration of worship service. Per CDC recommendations, masks with any type of valve to include those with filters are not permitted.

Per the CDC it is recommended that individuals who are considered **HIGH RISK** should not attend in person gatherings until all restrictions are safely lifted.

If you have been in close contact with anyone who is **suspected/probable/presumed/or have a confirmed case of COVID-19**, please do not visit the house of worship until you have met all the recommended quarantine/isolation requirements per CDC/DHEC. With FLU season approaching, we ask that anyone experiencing any type of respiratory illness to not attend in-person services until your symptoms have resolved as a precautionary to help curve the second wave of COVID- 19.

All congregants who enter the house of worship will have their temperature taken before they enter the house of worship with a non-contact thermometer or oral thermometer when necessary. Any individual with a temperature reading of 99.5 degrees Fahrenheit or higher or signs of any respiratory illness will not be permitted to attend service.

All congregants will be screened using CDC recommended infectious disease questionnaire before being permitted to enter the house of worship.

Handwashing and hand sanitizing stations are readily available and required upon entry. Please see signs posted near handwashing station for instructions on proper handwashing.

Movement of **TRAFFIC** should **ONLY** flow in **ONE DIRECTION**. There is a **ONE-WAY ENTRANCE** and **ONE WAY EXITS**. Please use **EXIT DOORS** closest to you. Instructions for movement will be marked with signage and/or facilitated by trained staff.

Internal movement during worship will be limited and facilitated by trained staff.

Congregants are to maintain a 6 feet distance at all times while on the premises.

All equipment is properly sanitized/disinfected after each use. All surfaces are frequently disinfected. There is no sharing of equipment.

Children younger than 2yo or anyone who has trouble breathing and cannot tolerate wearing a mask for the entire duration of services should not attend in person services until all restrictions can be safely lifted and are encouraged to Live Stream services via alternative methods located on church's website.

We ask that members/visitors please refrain from having physical contact, congregating, hugging, shaking hands, kissing or sharing of objects while on the premises as a precautionary to help reduce/stop the spread of infection.

We offer curb side COVID-19 screenings for Disabled/Handicapped individuals who require the usage of a ramp.

For your convenience, any member of First Responder's Ministry can provide you with information on Free COVID-19 testing sites near you. We strongly encourage everyone to know your status in helping to reduce the spread of COVID- 19.

Please note: During these unpredictable times, we appreciate your cooperation and consideration as we continue to use wisdom and guidance to navigate throughout this pandemic. **YOUR SAFETY IS OUR #1 PRIORITY.**



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First Responder's Ministry