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*Office of the President*

Dear Arizona Conference Pastors and Educators:

I appreciate how our team of workers have done such a heroic job of providing church services and online school classes via the internet during these difficult times. I have watched many of your services and have been truly blessed. Many parents give praises to our dedicated teachers for their work. Here are some important updates regarding schools and churches.

#### **SCHOOLS**

Arizona Conference schools will be closed through the end of this school year 2019-2020. However, there is a possibility that we may have limited graduations for schools should Governor Ducey declare that group gatherings are safe again.

#### **CHURCHES**

Churches will remain closed until May 16. We are hoping to have all of our churches open on that Sabbath **MAYBE IN A LIMITED CAPACITY** if conditions allow. We are following local, state, and national news to see if this is a wise decision. We are also listening carefully to our medical professionals who have given us great advice on this subject.

In the meantime, we encourage you to continue your family worship, prayer life and making the most of Sabbath livestreaming as your congregation joins for worship. May it be a time to rejoice!

Sincerely,

Ed Keyes

President