



كنيسة مارتوما - أبوظبي THE MAR THOMA CHURCH ABU DHABI

Date: 18/09/2020

Place: Abu Dhabi

Measures that must be taken by places of worship to prevent the spread of coronavirus

DCD instructions and Online Registration Guidelines for Worshippers

1. **Online registration to attend Worship Service is only for the respective parish members.** Online registration and **prior approval** is required for each individual to attend the worship service. (**Note: Separate registration is needed for each individual**).
2. All the religious leaders, workers in the places of worship and worshippers **must download "Al Hosn" application** on their phones.
3. Persons suffering from any contagious symptoms such as cough or cold must avoid attending places of worship. Such persons must take necessary treatment measures at healthcare centers.
4. Pregnant women and members who suffer from chronic diseases, immunodeficiency and respiratory illnesses must stay at home for their own safety.
5. If an individual has been traveling, he/she must remain at home and avoid contact with others for a period of not less than 14 days as per Government instructions. After this period, papers proving lack of infectious diseases must be provided.
6. There is **no age restriction** for attending the church service.
7. **Registration** will be conducted **Prayer group wise** as indicated by the church.
8. Registration will only be available during **Friday to Sunday**.
9. Registration will be limited as there are **only 195 seats** available.
10. Avoid shaking hands. Greet people from a distance.
11. **Sanitize your hands** before and after the worship.
12. **Wear masks and gloves** while inside the church compound and during the service.
13. Keep a distance of **two meters** between persons inside and outside the church.
14. **Avoid touching door knobs and handles** and other surfaces that could harbor viruses.
15. Worshippers should use their **own Bible and Worship Order Books**.
16. **Water dispensers, water bottles and tissue boxes will not be available at the place of worship.** Worshippers may bring their own bottles of water that should not be shared.
17. **Washrooms** will remain closed always.
18. Entry to church premises will be allowed **15 minutes** before the worship service.
19. Worshippers must disperse immediately after the end of the worship service through the exit doors.
20. Entry and Exit will be permitted **only through the marked areas**.
21. **Gate No. 1** will be used for entry of worshippers, **Gate No. 3** will be used for exit. Gate No. 2 and Gate No. 4 will remain closed.



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22. Entry to inside of the church will only be through **the Main door**. (Anyone detected of having high temperature **above 37°C** will not be permitted to enter the church.)
23. Worshippers must ensure that they are **seated at the allocated area** (sticker/mark) throughout the worship service. Re-entry will not be permitted for anyone who leaves their place for any reason.
24. Those who are celebrating their birthday and wedding anniversary may please **stand at the same allotted area** during the time of dedication prayer.
25. Offertory shall not be taken during the service, instead an **Offertory box will be kept near the Exit doors**.
26. Worshippers must follow the instructions given by the volunteers while inside the church compound. Abu Dhabi Mar Thoma Church **is not responsible for any fine** issued by authorities for not abiding by the rules and regulations of the Government Authorities.

Yours in Christ

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