Greeting 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Parents,

I pray everyone is well, healthy and experiencing God's peace during these difficult crazy times.

Summer is here! Normally, we would be already be knee deep in water balloons, pool parties and pizza as well as preparing for camp and day trips. However, we are moving into the next phase for Sunday mornings. Starting Sunday, June 21st, we will have two services (8:30am & 10:30am) and the youth will be meeting in the youth center for worship and Bible study during the 8:30am service.

During the Bible study time students will be expected to continue to maintain social distancing of 6 feet and to refrain from handshakes and hugging, both inside and outside the building. Masks will be required inside the building. Masks are not required outside, but please bring one with you. Masks may be a sore spot with some people, so here is a brief explanation for our requiring them inside:

Masks are required so that as many people as possible who attend Ceres Christian Church can feel safe in doing so, and confident that attending does not pose an unnecessary health risk to them.

Worshiping in song increases the projection of the respiratory droplets tied to the spread of COVID 19. The masks will take care of the problem and allow us to worship the Lord in song as we so enjoy doing.

It is important to realize that you are wearing a mask, not for your sake, but for the sake of other people. It keeps your respiratory droplets within your own mask. This is important because it appears that COVID 19 can be spread by people who are asymptomatic. They have the disease and do not know it yet, or they have the disease, are contagious, and may never know they were sick.

Please purchase or make a mask and bring it each week for use in the building, including restrooms. We will have masks available for people each week but hope to only use them for visitors or those who have forgotten their mask for some reason.

I believe in God's perfect timing and His provision during times such as we are currently experiencing. I am very anxious to get together and spend time with all of you. As we move forward to the day we can begin to meet on Wednesday nights again, we are going to have one amazing Graduation, Birthday, Reunion party. However, until that time comes, I thank God for every opportunity we have together.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 209.988.2814 or bill@cereschristianchurch.org.

Keep your eyes on Jesus and trust him in all things.

In God's joy,
Bill Kearney / Gregg Yeager