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**CIRCULAR 5 OF 2020: SUBJECT: CHURCH SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, AHMADI, KUWAIT.**

**Dear all Vicars, Presbyters and Pastors and Members of the Congregations**

Greetings in Jesus Christ.

Further to the earlier circulars dated 27 February, 5 March and 12 March 2020, regarding the suspension of church services due to the Coronavirus in Kuwait, kindly note the position taken by the leaders of the Kuwait Fellowship of Churches collectively since their meeting on 12 March 2020 as follows:

- That churches fully comply with the government declarations and directives on prevention of the spread of the Coronavirus including the ban on public gatherings issued by the State of Kuwait's Cabinet on 24 February, and extensions: 12 March to 26 March and recently by another 2 weeks into April 2020 as issued on 22 March 2020. Please kindly note that further reviews to this by the State of Kuwait are to be expected and will be communicated accordingly.
- That all church gatherings are to be totally avoided
- That total suspension of church services remains in force until further advised.

The leadership of St Paul's Anglican Church, Ahmadi stands by this position and therefore wishes to make the same known to all the Congregations who worship at the premises. As church leaders, kindly take all the necessary precautionary measures to ensure the safety of members.

Our prayers for Kuwait, our home countries and the rest of the world at this time are most needed. Be assured of my kind thoughts and prayers.

God bless you all.

Michael Mbona (Chaplain)