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2021 State Leadership Conference

Dear Pastor and Leader,

During the month of February, I asked Pastors and State Appointed Leaders to participate in a survey to share their voices regarding the 2021 State Convention. The survey revealed that more than half of our pastors and leaders would be concerned to attend an open convention. At this time, I also share the same concerns. With that in mind, this year we will be planning for a State Leadership Conference. This State Leadership Conference will be planned with limited attendance requiring registration. This format will give us the ability to observe proper health guidelines, and provide a safer environment. This conference will be designed for Pastors, their Spouses, State Appointed Leaders and their Spouses only.

Because this event will not be open to our entire church body, the program will not include a business conference session, as we are not able to bring any matters for church approval without our church membership being present. I understand our desire to come together to fellowship, celebrate what God has done and encourage one another, nevertheless, we must be patient and care for those who are still vulnerable and susceptible to the effects of the Covid19 virus. The adjustment to this most awaited event has not been taken lightly and in no way shape or form reflects our lack of faith in what God can do. The opposite is true! It reflects our firm belief that despite our current limitations God will still move in our midst, and cause us to recognize, once again, that His blessings have no limits.

Our State Leadership Conference will take place at the Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie, Texas, from Friday, July 23rd to Sunday, July 25th. While the state mandate regarding Covid19 has been lifted by the Office of our State Governor, many businesses, including SAGU, continue to observe restrictions as part of their personal responsibility initiative. We will soon communicate our health protocol for our Conference as we plan to abide by SAGU'sfacilitieshealth guidelines. Housing information and other important details will soon be provided.

Registrations for our 2021 State Leadership Conference will open starting on April 15th at www.txcogop.com/events. In order to help us prepare accordingly, we ask Pastors, Spouses, and State Appointed Leaders to register no later than June 1st. If you are not able to register online please contact sister Laura Felipe at (623) 432-2828. The theme for our State Leadership Conference 2021 is "GOD'S LIMITLESS MEASURE"out of Ephesians 3:17-19, "that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

I look forward to enjoy with you the limitless blessings God has prepared for us,

Your servant,

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