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### Clarification re: In-person Meetings

My Sisters and Brothers,

I am finding there is some confusion and misunderstanding regarding my statement about national and local governments partially lifting Covid-19 restrictions and how this applies to opening our Chapters.

I know we are all very anxious to return to in-person meetings, BUT that decision is to be made by the WGMs of the Grand Jurisdictions with the support of the WGP and supporting Committees such Trustees, Jurisprudence, etc., or in the case of Deputies of GGC, who oversee the Subordinate Chapters directly under GGC, who have been given this responsibility by the MWGM and MWGP. Your WGM, or Deputy, will make the decision that is best for your Chapter about re-opening and having in-person meetings. I am confident they will make the decision that will keep each of you safe and healthy, as well as abide by the government restrictions that are in effect for your Jurisdiction or area. Their decision is what will be followed regarding the opening of your Chapter for in-person meetings.

My apologies for any misunderstandings. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [mshene8185@yahoo.com](mailto:mshene8185@yahoo.com)

In friendship & love,

Marianne R. Shenefelt  
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