

September 5, 2021

Dear Naz Families,

I'd like to take a moment to update you on our preventative COVID protocols here at The Naz. Over the past couple weeks, we have noticed a significant rise in COVID cases and subsequent quarantines in our ministries and in our community. The common delta variant has impacted people of all ages, including children. It is our desire to continue to be able to minister in person to all ages and to continue to provide environments that protect everyone who enters The Naz. We have gathered information, prayed, and consulted our committee of local medical professionals to assess what our best next step should be. With this in mind, we are adjusting our church masking policy from "optional" to "**recommended**" beginning Tuesday, September 7. We recognize and respect that many individuals have strong and different perspectives on this topic and remain committed to loving and protecting those around us – with a goal of striving towards unity in the faith!

Also, Grove City Christian School recently sent out a letter requiring masks to be worn in the classroom (with certain exemptions), beginning Tuesday, September 7. This is necessary to continue to keep our students in the classroom, where they should be! As a church, we will continue to support our school and childcare and focus on these important ministries to our kids and families. It is important to note that while The Naz Church continues to have options for people to worship either in the building or online, our school and childcare doesn't have this luxury and thus the need to require masks for our staff and school agers.

We will continue with other existing protocols encouraging and providing when possible:

- Hand Washing
- Social Distancing
- Quality Airflow

While we understand that some may be disappointed by this decision, please know that we do not take it lightly and look forward to the day that we will be free of all the troubles that the pandemic has generated. Please continue to pray for God's guidance and protection over our church and community.

And remember....

- Protect Yourself
- Love Your Neighbor
- Serve Your Community

Share Hope and Stay Connected,

Pastor David
Executive Pastor