

Dear Lions' Families,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to you as the newly appointed Principal of Water of Life Christian School. I am truly honored and humbled to become part of this ministry which has already given me such a warm welcome! In just the few interactions I have had with staff, students, and families so far, it is abundantly clear that God's presence is here and that our school is a unique and special place.

I would also like to share that in the coming weeks, important decisions will need to be made regarding returning to our campus in the fall. Our primary goal is to get students safely back in school and for this, we will pray for His guidance and wisdom. We want to assure you that Water of Life Community Church and School, will comply with guidelines set forth from state and local agencies, the state legislature, and public health data regarding COVID-19. We will be sure to update our families regularly by email over the summer break as new information becomes available and decisions are made.

Some of our current preliminary planning includes a number of scenarios for the opening of the new school year. We are discussing various formats for teaching and learning, possible instructional schedules, and the overall wellness needs of our students. Our goal is to bring all students enrolled safely back on campus. Additionally, we are considering classroom capacities, cleaning procedures, student eating areas, and student drop off and pick up areas. We will need to be flexible, and re-evaluate often as new information, data, and local guidelines become available.

I pray you are all well and that you enjoy time together this summer. Lastly, I leave you with this verse, *For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you--that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine* (Romans 1:11-12 ESV).

Grace and peace be with you, Mrs. Maricela Najera