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Greetings to you all,

The government has announced some easing of restrictions for regional Victoria.

**Ceremonies and Religious Gatherings:
Provisions for Regional Victoria from Wednesday, October 28, 2020**

• **Indoor religious gatherings:**

- Allowed for up to 20 people, plus one faith leader;
- Strict requirements to be contained in a COVIDSafe plan;
- Can only have one gathering at a time whether indoor or outdoor;
- * *Please note this is slightly different from the last round of restrictions we operated under.*

• **Outdoor religious gatherings and ceremonies:**

- Up to 50 people, plus 1 faith leader, proximate to a place of worship;
- Can only have one gathering at a time whether indoor or outdoor.

• **Private worship:**

- Allowed for up to two adults and their dependents, plus a faith leader.

• **Weddings:**

- Up to 10 people outdoors, including couple and two witnesses. Celebrant and one photographer excluded from cap.

• **Funerals:**

- Indoors - up to 20 people;
- Outdoors – up to 50 people;
- Infants under 12 months and people to conduct funeral not included in the cap.

At all gatherings contact details are to be collected, contact surfaces sanitised, social distancing observed, hand sanitiser provided and face masks must be worn.

Please remember that breaking the law is associated with substantial fines for the institutions and the people involved.

With every best wish

Kevin Maloney VG