**IMPORTANT:**

# PLEASE READ ENTIRE LETTER!

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 Dear Parents and Students,

 I have been hard at work gathering materials and making plans for the students to continue learning daily for the next few weeks. Each week’s packet will include a list of objectives for the students to master. To help the students achieve these objectives, I will utilize recorded videos, which will be uploaded by about 9:00 a.m. each day to our class’ Facebook page and our class’ page on the school website, as well as a combination of written assignments and online tasks.

 The packets are set up in a simple outline. Each day’s instructions are listed in order by subject. If you have access to the online instructional videos, please watch the videos **as you go through the outline**. There will be a video for every subject, except Bible. In the videos, I will review the previous day’s assignment, teach the new day’s skill(s), and or give details for the new assignment. Often, I will model how to perform steps or complete an assigned task. Students will be responsible for completing the assigned tasks each day. All completed **written** assignments should be labeled and kept inside the folder for future grading.

 For those with internet access, I will include web addresses and links to various resources online. Some of the online lessons can be used in place of written assignments. Specific instructions will be given for each subject and assignment.

 The two main websites we will utilize are IXL and BrainPOP Jr. Both of these sites are free for you to use. Please see the included informational page for the sites’ specific home addresses, as well as your login and password information.

 If you have any questions about my packet instructions, please contact me. My **preferred** method of contact will be our class’ Facebook group, so questions and answers can be seen by everyone in the class. I am also available on Facebook messenger, and because I receive those notifications directly to my phone, I usually am able to respond to Facebook messages faster than emails. *(If you do not have a Facebook account, I am politely asking you to consider creating one and joining our class’ group, just for the duration of this distance learning experience. You can add me, April Newberry Jones, as a friend, and I will add you to the class group.)* You may also send an email to ajones@northmobilechristian.org, and I will try to respond in less than 12 hours.

 Lastly, I would like to ask for your patience and prayers as I adjust to this method of teaching. In addition to being a teacher from home, I also have five children, three of whom I will be responsible for homeschooling, just like you will be doing. I assure you that each one of you, Parents and Students, are important to me, and I am trying my very best to meet everyone’s needs. I am confident that the students are capable of doing everything I have included in the packets, with very little assistance.

With Love and Prayer,

Mrs. Jones

P.S. I know the letter above is quite detailed and serious, and I do not want the students to remember me that way. I am going to try to find a way to interact with the students least once each week at a pre-planned time via our class’ Facebook group. I would also love to see pictures and videos of the students posted to the group!