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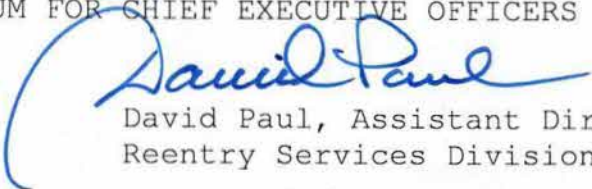
Reentry Services Division

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Washington, DC 20534

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

FROM:  David Paul, Assistant Director  
Reentry Services Division

SUBJECT: Chapel Usage

Previous guidance as referenced in phase nine-action plan, dated August 5, 2020, pertaining to volunteers is now updated to include faith-based volunteers and contractors for Religious Services.

Over the course of the coming months, a number of religious observances will occur across faith traditions. Wardens must develop plans to allow access to the chapel for worship. Facilities are encouraged to hold services with inmates from different housing units present. In these instances, plans will address the ways in which units will worship together with appropriate precautions in place. In the event units may not worship together, Wardens will host enough services to ensure all faith groups are able to complete worship services in the chapel.

Wardens are reminded faith-based volunteers and contractors may be allowed entry to meet with inmates or lead religious worship services. This access is particularly important for holiday observances.

Please direct any questions to  
Administrator.

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