

December 10, 2020

Dear Elders, Families and Friends of MSS,

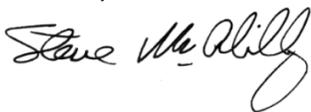
We have been notified that an elder from Aldersgate's Assisted Living has been diagnosed with COVID-19 and has been hospitalized in order to receive appropriate care. The elder had been on isolation following a community visit last so the potential exposure at Aldersgate has been limited. We have notified public health officials and are following all recommendations provided by CMS and the Mississippi State Department of Health.

Mississippi is currently seeing very large numbers of infections diagnosed each day and we must remain vigilant in order to prevent further infection at Aldersgate. Lauderdale County is currently a red county with a positivity rate of 14.8% which is among the highest across the state. We ask that all elders continue to shelter in place as much as possible. Please let our employees, your family and our volunteers help keep you safe by running errands and allowing you to stay protected.

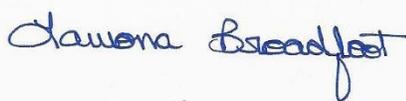
In addition, we want to ask everyone to take every measure possible to slow the spread of the virus. Please continue to practice social distancing, wear a mask, perform good hand sanitation, refrain from group gatherings of any size and whenever possible, avoid being out in the general public. Please do your part to keep Aldersgate's elders and employees safe.

As a reminder, we are posting regular updates online and our dedicated message line. This is your fastest and easiest way to receive updated Aldersgate COVID-19 information. You can call 662-844-8977 Ext. 212 for a pre-recorded message or go to mss.org/Aldersgate and click on the COVID-19 Update Button. As always, you can reach out to our administrative office at Aldersgate for any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Steve McAlilly
President/CEO



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Aldersgate Executive Director

For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power, love, and sound judgement. ~ 2 Timothy 1:7