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SENIOR PASTOR SEARCH PRAYER GUIDE



WHY A CALL TO PRAYER?

Our prayers worship God, glorify His name, and demonstrate our faith and trust in Him. This a unique time in the life of our church and God is providing us the opportunity to seek His face together. We seek His will for our church and for its next Senior Pastor. Our Lord prayed when facing major decisions and commands us to pray in all situations (Luke 6:12–13; Philippians 4:6–7). When we pray according to His will, He will grant us what we ask (1 John 5:14–15).

WHAT IS THIS PRAYER GUIDE?

This guide will contain biweekly prayer requests from representatives of the Search Committee and the Search Coalition. The guide will be updated more frequently if needed. It should be used to complement your regular prayers concerning the pastor search process.

WHO IS IT FOR?

This guide is for all people of Tri-Village Church, Iglesia del Pueblo, Wheaton Bible Church, and anyone else who desires to pray for God's leading during our new Senior Pastor search.

11 Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. 2 This is what the ancients were commended for.

3 By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.. –Hebrews 11 1-3, Hebrews 12 1-3

PLEASE PRAY

- Pray with rejoicing as we continue to see the Lord work throughout our search process! Pray against a spirit of worry and anxiousness in the congregation. Instead, we thank God and trust Him to grant us all “the peace of God, which transcends all understanding” that it “will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:7

- Pray against divisive personal agendas that could cause disunity in the body of Christ.
- Pray for Pastor Rob and Rhonda. Pray that God would provide all their needs both now, and in the future as they minister to each other, to us, and to the community. Pray for the sale of their house, Rhonda's continued healing of her leg post-surgery, and God's grace and strength to carry them through all the upcoming changes.
- Pray that the future senior pastor, his wife, and family, would feel close to God, blessed by God, free from worry and fear, and the same peace Paul prays for in Philippians 4:7.
- Pray that the future candidate and family will have clarity in responding to God's call to this new ministry opportunity. Pray that the Holy Spirit will protect them spiritually, emotionally, and physically both during and after the search process.

And as Paul charges the church "Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which ties everything together in unity" (Colossians 3:14) that this would continue to be true of our church staff and congregation.