



## SENIOR MINISTER SEARCH COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 MEETING

**Present:** David Rix (chair), Jason Abraham (via video), Jim Bruce, Richard Ibekwe, Leslie Liu, and Margaret Sloat. (Linda Herman was absent due to illness.)

1. **The committee's meeting began at 7:10 p.m. with a devotional on the theme "praising God is not an option" and prayer — David.**

2. **Approval of September 23, 2019 Minutes — David.**

Minutes for the Meeting of September 23 were presented and approved by the Committee.

3. **Continued discussion about applicants and next steps — Committee**

Members of the Committee continued their discussions about those applicants it identified at previous meetings as ones in whom there was continued interest. It discussed one applicant, where specific concerns were raised, in some detail. It also reviewed Slingshot's standard questionnaire for applicants and identified a set of additional questions to be added to that document. The Committee also mapped out plans to visit churches to hear applicants preach and had an initial conversation about initial in-person or video interviews with the applicants of interest.

4. **Action Items and Next Steps**

- David will have further discussions with Rich Kidd of the Slingshot Group about those applicants in which we have a continuing interest, about adding additional questions to their standard questionnaire, and about how we schedule one-on-one interviews with these individuals.
- Leslie will compile a list of interview questions we have discussed over our several meetings sorted by topic for continued discussion at our next meeting.
- The Committee will next meet at Leslie's house on October 14 at 7 p.m.

5. **Prayer Requests for Email Prayer Letter, Support the Search**

- Pray for physical health of the committee, in particular Linda Herman, who couldn't be at the committee meeting. Pray also for the health of the committee's family members, some of whom are undergoing challenging circumstances
- Pray for committee as it prepares for the next steps in the search process, which will include initial interviews of some applicants
- Praise for the way God is working in the lives and work of the committee members. We also give praise for a spirit of unity in the committee

6. **Leslie prayed as the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.**