



August 8, 2024

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for turning out in large numbers for the Voters Assembly on Sunday, August 4. For those not able to attend, it's important that I provide a recap of the meeting so that all in the congregation are informed. Three action items were taken up by the voters:

1. Authorization for the Board of Directors to spend insurance proceeds to begin repairs at the Temple campus. Included in this motion was authorization to use ILM cash on hand to pay the insurance deductible. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Authorization for the Board of Directors to spend insurance proceeds to begin repairs at the Belton campus. Included in this motion was authorization to use ILM cash on hand to pay the insurance deductible. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Resolution Regarding Facilities Evaluation and Planning. For brevity, I'm not providing the complete text of the resolution here, but in summary, the resolution states that ILM will engage a 90-day evaluation of ILM facilities to ensure the ministry has considered all options for how best to grow the Kingdom. Out of 124 votes cast, 90% voted in favor of the resolution.

Work has already begun on developing the process by which the facilities evaluation will take place as well as how to be sure as many as want to be involved in the process are able to do so. While I said in the meeting that we would need to limit the number of participants on the Facilities Evaluation and Planning Team, I have since revised my thinking. We should involve as many members as possible in this process.

I am thankful for the many members who have already volunteered to serve on the team. I encourage you as well. If you are interested in being part of the Facilities Evaluation and Planning Team, email me at darrellbecker1@gmail.com by **Thursday, August 15**. The meeting schedule is provided below. It is important that you let me know you want to participate so that I can be sure we are properly prepared to accommodate everyone for the meetings. Please consider whether you can attend both meetings before you volunteer.

My prayer is that this process would be a healthy one for our lives together as a church. It's a good thing for us to see how well our facilities are serving the needs of the ministry, and after a robust process whereby many voices are heard, we move forward together in unity.

With you in Christ,

Darrell Becker, President

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Facilities Evaluation and Planning Team

Meeting Schedule

***Subject to Change**

Sunday, August 18, Noon-2:30--Temple Campus Auditorium—Dreamer!

During this meeting we will get organized and oriented to the task at hand. The scope of work will be laid out, and the entire process for how we will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors will be explained. Team members will explore all possibilities for how best to ensure our ministry thrives going into our second century.

Meeting Outcome: Narrow down to three or four visionary ideas that maximize opportunities to grow the Kingdom.

Sunday, September 8, Noon-3:00—Temple Campus Auditorium—Feasibility

The three or four best ideas from the Dreamer meeting will be put to the test, focusing on their desirability, viability, and sustainability into the future. We will analyze the ideas, considering demographics, resource availability, budget constraints, and potential challenges.

Meeting Outcome: Reach a consensus on two to three ideas that will be further developed by the church staff and the Board of Directors for presentation and discussion at the congregational town hall meeting.

Congregational Town Hall Meeting

Sunday, October 6, Noon

Potluck Luncheon

Temple Campus Auditorium

Annual Voters Assembly

Sunday, November 10, Noon

Lunch Provided

Temple Campus Auditorium