

# LEFC Congregational Meeting

**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Location: LEFC Auditorium

Time: 5:59 PM

## **SE Asia Short Term Team – Provided Meal – Cory and Sarah Anderson**

- Share the love of Christ with kids in SE Asia. Global partner will be coming for a conference.
- Team of 26 July 23-August 3.
- Sharing life of Joseph VBS to global partner kids and missionary kids throughout SE Asia.
- All donations for the meal go to the team.
- Prayer:
  - o Each of the kids coming Our own
  - o LEFC kids for energy to serve with joy
  - o Safety for the team
  - o The team would see God is faithful even in difficult times

## **Welcome and Prayer – Tyler Ranck Elder Chair**

## **Approval of November 2025 Congregational Minutes**

- 11/10/2024 Congregational Minutes approved without objection

## **Confirmation of New Members and Membership Commitment – Jeff Travis, Tom Daly, Jr.**

- Church Membership at LEFC: Is a declaration of shared faith, guided by our Statement of Faith, and a formal commitment to love and serve one another in alignment with Scripture.
- We seek membership commitment in unity through doctrinal agreement and relational commitment.
- Heb 13:17 – joyful submission to elders to lead the body of Christ.
- New Member Candidates: Dave and Betsy Alexander, Shedrack Ndedirgyo Adamu, Connor and Rachel Baer, Scott and Meredith Bailey, Phil and Stephanie Benedict, Caleb and Erin Eroh, Paige Huber, Brent and Kristin Kreider, Zach and Sophia McCracken, Chris and Jessica McCullough, Sandy Morris, Justus and Erin Moyer, Jonathan and Sarah Poorman, Eli and Abby Skacel, Daniel and Hannah Spangler, Bill and Kathy Stanley, Mary Tortorello, Brian and Melissa Underhill, Steve and Jess Weaver
- Voice vote Membership Confirmation MSC
- Membership commitment read by all members.

## **Affirmation of New Leaders – Tyler Ranck**

- **Departing Leaders**
  - o Tribute to Jon Balson and his impact on LEFC from bylaws to meeting processes – he was great at keeping order and stewarding God's gifts to keep peace and unity.
  - o Todd Andrews joining IEFC
  - o Walter Piasecki transitioning to Security Team
  - o Tom Daly, Jr., Chip Mershon – terming out
  - o Ed Scheuerman – stepping off the board to engage in Global ministry in retirement.
- **New Leader Candidates:**
  - o **Elders:** Dave Cox, Dan Heller, Blake Herr, Corey Mitchell, Tyler Ranck, Phil True, DJ Weaver, Eric Wenger, Kurt Zimmerman
  - o **Non-sitting Elders:** Dan Bailey, Tom Daly, Jr., Fred Eberly, Scott Galen, Art Horn, Chip Mershon, Ed Scheuerman, Matt Sowada, Pete Wittmaier, Kevin Zook
  - o **Deacons:** Dave Cassel, Jon Clark, Andy Derr, Mike Donghia, Ben Hostetter, Colton Keller, Justin Sensenig, Jordan Snader

- **Deaconesses:** Alison Dahl, Maggie Demers, Joy Desiato, Donya Galen, Peaches Gehman, Vickie Geiman, Ann Gillman, Jalisa Gingrich, Dixie Haverstick, Colleen Keller, Pat Landis, Leslie Morrissey, Kim Murray, Alison Swann, Vanisa Weist, Emily Wilkerson
- **Members at Large:** Julie Hurst, Charlie Keller, Lindsay Snader
- **Financial Secretary:** Kevin Henry
- Ballot vote New Leader Affirmation **MSC**

### **Teaching Pastor Announcement Video – Tony Hunt**

- Tom Daly, Jr. will fill this role starting January 2026. Tony and Elders have discerned a clear call on Tom's life to be a pastor and for LEFC to steward this calling by creating a Teaching Pastor and multiplication position.

### **Budget Approval and Financial Update – DJ Weaver**

- Giving has grown year over year.
- Giving has outpaced the budget.
- Staff stewards their budgets well.
- Because of the stewardship and giving of the body it has empowered the elders to make opportunistic approaches to set LEFC up for success. Solar panels saves about \$50K per year in electrical costs and that savings could increase as power supply rates increase.
- Proposed 2025-26 Budget \$4,280,000
  - New additions/increases to budget: 12<sup>th</sup> grade retreat, additional support for global partners, teaching pastor position, setting aside funds for multiplication.
  - Decreasing expenses: Sunday in the Park, energy efficiency and now connected to natural gas.
- Motion: to approve the proposed 2025-26 LEFC budget as presented.
- Ballot vote to approve budget **MSC**

### **Project 2:42 Construction Update – Joel Lingenfelter**

- The plans are complete, and bids came in right in line with what our proposed budget from a year ago in an age of extreme pricing uncertainty – God is good and has provided.
- Federal permits came in early after we prayed as a church (expected in Oct. came April 8)
- Pray for multiplication strategy as we know we will reach max capacity once this building project is complete.

### **Project 2:42 Giving Update – Charlie Keller**

- Reminded us of how we are committed to praying and being a praying church.
- Commit to pray regularly through 2027 and walk in obedience.

### **Southeast Asia – Bob Travis and Erin Shenk**

- Mobilization Team provides ways to connect with global/local partners and walk alongside them.
- \*God has opened a door in SE Asia after we prayed for doors in SE Asia. An organization established in SE Asia has a network of churches was an outcome through a branch of the EFCA's missions arm. God has provided a way for LEFC to come alongside this organization in SE Asia. This is a church planting network but also provides training and coaching across denominations to plant churches. We will be sending Corey and Sarah Anderson to visit while they are in SE Asia.
- \*SE Asia two global partners have come together to start a co-partnership to start a soccer league. Sending a short-term team to encourage global partners.
- \*SE Asia has global partners who are working and providing seed and other supplies for war and earthquake relief in this country. LEFC partnered with EFCA to do earthquake relief.
- \*SE Asia country is having more global partners sent this summer.
- Mobilization team is forming care team clusters. Group of people to care for global partner groups by praying, caring for them on the field, and when they return to the US. Teams will be incredibly relational and focused on streamlining care and mobilizing the body at LEFC.
- Encouraged congregation to pray and seek God for opportunities to send members to these areas.
- \*For security purposes organization and location information has been redacted.

### **Closing Remarks and Prayer – Tyler Ranck**

- Teaching and Multiplication
  - Immanuel EFC – they are in need of more help and encouraged congregation to pray about plugging in.
  - Multiplication to make space in our lives to explore opportunities in church planting or revitalization.
  - Equipping teachers to teach, some are feeling called into full time ministry within the body here at LEFC.
  - Tony has made some connections with other pastors in the area who are having similar conversations, and some churches reach out to LEFC for assistance in the above areas.
  - Looking/praying for a larger group to go and be sent together into multiplication opportunities.
  - Lem and Cindi James going back to Living Christ Church. Heartfelt thank you from the James family for the years they have been a part of LEFC and all that has been provided to their family.
    1. Dave Cox prayed over them.

**Meeting ended with worship** – Alex Swann Holy there is no one like you, and doxology.