

# LEFC Elder Meeting Summary

November 4, 2025 – 7:00 PM

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Elders Present: Kurt Zimmerman, Tyler Ranck, Corey Mitchell, Dave Cox, Blake Herr, Phil True, Dan Heller, Matt Sowada, Tony Hunt, Joel Lingenfelter, Gary Hoover, Dave Cox, Eric Wenger, DJ Weaver

Guests: Josh Bailey

Elders Absent: Corey Mitchell,

AGENDA ITEMS	Type	Key Messages
Introduction of Josh Bailey		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Introduction of Josh as a rising leader.</li></ul>
Prayer	Prayer Requests	Tyler asked the elders to share prayer requests. Several requests and praises were raised, and the elders prayed for each item.
Approval of 10/21 meeting Minutes- Blake	Decision	The elder meeting minutes from the Oct 21 were approved with no objections.
Membership List Phil	Decision	Phil led a conversation on the membership list. Phil went through a list of people who have moved on to another church or is now attending a LEFC sister church. Tyler asked for an action to confirm for those attending IEFC if they want to be removed. There is also a list of names of people who have not attended recently, and Phil is to follow up to identify elders who can contact the people on the list just to check in and see if there is care needed.
Congregational Meeting Preparation Tyler	Discussion and decision	<p>The group discussed the upcoming congregational meeting, including plans for a presentation on Project 2:42. The agenda was reviewed to ensure all of the elders are familiar with the content of what will be shared. Each element of the agenda was briefed for the content planned to be shared.</p> <p>For the update on Project 2:42, there was an idea to share some pictures that show how full the classes are as a refresher for one of the needs of the project.</p> <p>For the financial topic (Eric and Charlie), the change that we discussed at the retreat is that we will not move to a campaign to become debt free because we may choose to raise money for multiplication. There was a decision to repeat the motion from the last congregational meeting to just reiterate where we were and where we are now.</p> <p>The team discussed the flow of the service, deciding to move the worship and guided prayer time and sandwich it between two prayer points. The idea of the guided prayer time is praying for the church, not related to money. A decision was taken to flip the guided prayer and worship, then we would have prayer (ending Charlie and Eric's section), then worship, then moving on to guided prayer.</p> <p>The guided prayer time should include prompts to pray for the rocks. Regarding multiplication, the prompt will be linked to praying for relationships.</p> <p>There was a nomination for prayer for our global partners.</p> <p>Tyler asked for feedback on a visual representation of the church mission showing how our different language and strategy fits together. The team discussed the visual representation focusing on simplicity and clarity. They debated the placement and importance of "Marks of a Disciple" within the design, with some advocating for its inclusion while others argued for simplicity. The group also reviewed plans for an upcoming presentation on multiplication and teaching church vision, highlighting key points to cover. Tyler agreed to consider the feedback with the team that created the visual and refine if needed. There was a suggestion to include in this segment that multiplication will likely require sacrifice.</p> <p>Tony outlined a two-year program aimed at addressing declining seminary graduates and enhancing biblical literacy. The initiative aims to provide a practical, affordable alternative to</p>

		<p>traditional seminary education, allowing participants to pursue pastoral roles while minimizing time away from ministry.</p> <p>The group discussed attendance and communication strategies for upcoming congregational meetings. Due to the importance of the content, the group agreed to record and share the Q&amp;A portion of the meeting as a post-meeting resource. The group decided to continue emphasizing the importance of these meetings through regular communication.</p>
Summary of Actions	Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A series of actions were decided and recorded for follow up by individual elders.</li> </ul>
<b>Continued Discussion:</b> Instead of Sunday in the Park	Decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The group agreed to postpone discussions about future community gatherings to the next meeting, with Tony noting that any major events would need to be planned for summer 2027 due to budget considerations.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Notes</b> - Dinner Hosts <b>Sign Up</b> (Updated) - Reminder: Peter Greer Meeting on November 12 <sup>th</sup> -	Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reminder, 1:00 next Wednesday, A1 and A2 will be the meeting with Peter Greer.</li> <li>• The meeting is planned for 90 minutes, with some time allowed for Q&amp;A</li> <li>• Elders and Pastoral Ministry team in attendance</li> <li>• Save the Date for January 6 – Tyler Morris</li> </ul>

### Next Elders' Meeting: November 18, 2025 LEFC Church