Congregational Meeting Minutes
Sunday, November 8, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Meeting Location: LEFC Auditorium

AGENDA

1. TNT Update:
   TNT sponsored the meal for the congregational meeting. A youth leader and a student shared their experience from the 2024 winter blast retreat and the faith journey that has resulted.

2. Welcome and Prayer:
   The meeting officially opened with Tyler Ranck, chairman of the Elder Board, welcoming attendees.

3. Minutes Approval from May 2026 Congregational Meeting:
   The meeting minutes were approved with no objections.

4. Confirmation of New Members:
   DJ Weaver announced the acceptance of 29 new members and 2 returning members at LEFC and explained the process of welcoming new members, emphasizing the importance of unity. He highlighted that new members have been visited by elders and shared their testimonies, which are posted on the website. There was a motion to accept all proposed candidates for membership, and the motion was seconded, leading to a voice vote to approve the new members. The motion carried; all new members were approved.

5. Project 2:42 Video, Wrap-Up and Financial Update:

   Tony Hunt expressed gratitude and appreciation for all of the people that serve. He shared the impact it had on his heart the first time he walked through the new facility and saw all of the children and volunteers. Tony shared the journey from our new sanctuary space that we first occupied the week before Covid in March 2020, to the identification of the need for more space for our children and youth. The Lord provided as his people prayed and the Project 2:42 building addition has been completely paid for in 22 months, earlier than the expected 3 years.

   Eric Wenger shared the approved budget for building and parking lot expansion of $7.0M, with $5.5M allocated to the building addition and $1.5M allocated to parking lot expansion. The $5.5M is paid in full. The larger parking expansion by the soccer fields has been tabled at this time, which resulted in not fully spending the $1.5M allocated towards parking. We have $300k of existing borrowing for parking related costs and have committed to pray for the funds to pay this in full by the end of 2026.

Eric shared we are behind the General Fund budget by $202,854 (July 1 thru June 30), and there are no budget concerns at this time. He discussed the Mission House and the house LEFC owns at 401 Pierson Road. Both are devoted to ministry work. The 401 Pierson Road home has been owned by LEFC for some time and needed renovation work to be usable. This project has been completed in the last month. The home is now being used by Global Partners on home assignment.

Eric also shared creative ways to provide LEFC support through year-end giving.

6. Worship:

Alex Swann led the congregation in 3 worship songs.

7. Elder Update on LEFC Areas of Focus:

Tyler Ranck shared that everything LEFC is working on supports our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ:

- What = Love God, Love People, Live Truth, Proclaim Jesus
- Where = Oikos and Southeast Asia
- How = Praying, Teaching, Multiplying

The mindset of multiplying isn't just about being involved in a church plant or revitalization project. It's also about discipleship within our oikos and within our church family at LEFC.

Bob Travis shared how LEFC is serving in Southeast Asia. He shared about our Global Partner Ministry and how we are providing support and care to serve our Global Partners well. We have launched 4 of the 6 Global Partner Care Teams to support and care for our 24 Global Partners, with each team supporting 4 Global Partners.

Bob also shared about the 2027 Global Partner Thailand Summit, where several LEFC leaders will be meeting with our Global Partners for a time for refreshment, encouragement, worship and support. Lastly, Bob shared about LEFC's focused partnership in another Southeast Asia county. Chip Mershon prayed for our Global Partner Ministry.

Jeff Travis shared about a future Residency Program at LEFC to raise up and send the next generation of ministry leaders. As a multiplying church, we will support Interns, Apprentices, and Residents. A residency would last ~ 11 months (July 1 - May 31). We would support 4 to 8 residents/year. This would be a 40 hour/week residency as we develop the resident's character, leadership, theology, and teaching. As this

project is developed over the upcoming months, we will discuss further at the May 2027 Congregational Meeting.

Tyler Ranck provided an update on Immanuel Church in York. Gary Christman shared recently with the elders of LEFC, and they are ready to be a fully sustainable church revitalization. God has raised up elders and ministry leaders within their local body and attendance has grown to 60 - 65 members.

Tony Hunt provided an update on the multiplication prayer gatherings. There are four happening now in Cocalico/Denver, Southern Lebanon/Cornwall, East Petersburg/Landisville. Tony asked Jon Norton (Southern Lebanon) and Ross Unruh (Cocalico/Denver) questions about the prayer gatherings that are occurring in their homes. Tony shared a future vision of having more homes in communities praying about multiplication as we obey Jesus' command to make disciples.

8. Looking Ahead:

Tony Hunt discussed his recent conversations with the EFCA East District. They will take the lead on a church plant and how LEFC can walk with them. The District will provide financial resources, training, and guidance. Tony shared that he has several meetings in the upcoming weeks about a potential partnership with another church. He also said we are getting close to identifying our church planter. We expect to have answers in the early winter and will have informational meetings to share progress with the congregation at that time. Tony asked that we keep praying for the three focus areas and to continue to pray wherever we live.

Tony shared his thoughts on the biblical commands to multiply and not being content knowing there are lost sheep that still need reached.

9. Closing:

Tyler Ranck shared that if there are questions or feedback, please reach out to elders@lefc.net.

Tyler shared that beginning in January 2027, he will transition the elder chair to DJ Weaver. DJ Weaver closed the meeting in prayer.