

# church of the opendoor

There are many people and moving parts involved in the search and succession process. You might feel drawn to pray for a specific person or a particular part of the process; or you could choose from the list below. Let God lead you here; and pay attention to what you might hear from God as you hold this before Him.

Pray for:

- the congregation
- the Governing Board of Elders
- the Search Team
- our consultants: Nancy Moore and colleagues at NL Moore and Associates
- Dave and Bonnie Johnson as they transition to a new phase of life
- our future pastor and their family

Pray that:

- we would look to God as our only security in the uncertainties and challenges of this transition
- all of us – our leaders, our consultants, and our congregation – would seek to discern God’s wisdom, blessing, and direction for Open Door
- we would love one another well through this process:
  - slow to speak when we’re frustrated, and quick to listen gently when others are impatient or negative
  - generous with grace, patience, understanding, and forgiveness for the imperfections and foibles of our staff, elders, search team, and each other
  - eager to seek genuine unity within our congregation, staff, elders, and Search Team in this season
- we would trust in and pray for God’s empowerment of our elders, staff, and Search Team as they discern and implement God’s guiding in this season
- our church would be sheltered in God’s holy protection during this time
- we would be open to the new leader God is preparing for us

*“I will lead the blind by a way they do not know, in paths they do not know, I will guide them.”*

Isaiah 42:16