

LCT Update to the Congregation- 09/27/20

Congregational Update #4

It's my pleasure to share with you another quick update from the Leadership Continuity Team this morning! We remain prayerful and excited about what God's got in store for Hope Missionary Church!

This morning, I'd like to answer three questions on behalf of the excellent team that works alongside me in this area:

Question #1: What have you been doing since the last congregational update?

We've been spending our time and energy finalizing this document, our Church Profile. It's twenty-six pages long, and it's packed full of information about our congregation and our community. It's also got lots of photos included that will give a good perspective on who we are as a church. The final several pages include a ministry description that we feel encapsulates the role and responsibilities of the senior pastor of Hope Missionary Church. We would love for you to also be able to see what we've said about Hope Church, and so we've posted it on our website where you can easily access it. If you visit the site at hope4thefamily.com, you'll find a tab in the top right of the homepage that's labeled "Leadership Continuity." That will take you to a page where you can not only peruse this church profile, but also catch up on all of our updates to the congregation.

Question #2: When will you make this document available to interested candidates?

We're excited to tell you that this document is already posted where candidates will be able to find it! Earlier this week we made the necessary contacts to have this profile and ministry description placed on the regional and national websites for the Missionary Church. It's our intent to begin with those within the fold of the Missionary Church since that's who we are. After a period of time, the team may choose to expand the reach by placing this information on other websites. But for now we wanted to start within the family. The final page of the Church Profile details how interested candidates may begin the process of applying for the position.

Question #3: What's the timeline you're working with?

Our timeline remains the same as we've been planning. Now that the position is posted, we'll look forward to receiving contacts from interested individuals through the fall. We envision being able to begin interviewing candidates this winter. That way we'll be ready to welcome our new senior pastor right as Pastor Gary transitions his role in ministry around June of 2021.

Of course, we continue to seek His face on this important decision. That was the most exciting part of the Leadership Continuity Team's meeting last week. After we met, we came up to the Worship Center and knelt together at the altar to once again ask God's guidance in this exciting time. And we'd encourage you to be praying right along with us. In fact, let's pray together toward that end right now...