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PASTORAL SEARCH UPDATE

We are excited to bring news of recent progress in the search for God's man to lead our church. The research sub-team has worked tirelessly to review over 60 resumes. They have communicated with more than half of these applicants and have narrowed the field considerably.

Presently, the research sub-team continues to closely examine multiple candidates who have "risen to the top" and who merit further review. The entire Pastor Search Team has been prayerfully reviewing information presented to us. We are listening to sermons, pouring over information, discussing messages, and examining both oral and written communications from candidates.

We have been encouraged as we see God leading us in defining this process and giving clarity of vision, insight into His heart, and unity in our decisions. Our staff and elders are also praying for the arrival of our next senior pastor by revisiting the biblical teaching of elder leadership and reviewing and updating our church constitution.

Please join us in the process!

- Pray for us that we would be led by the Holy Spirit to the man God has chosen to lead this, your local church, in the next era of ministry in Chattanooga and around the world!
- Pray for the body of Woodland Park to be open and teachable as we study elder leadership from a biblical perspective. Pray that those who are preparing to teach will be given a clear message to share.
- Pray for the constitution review team to be guided by biblical principles and led by the Holy Spirit.
- Praise God for the progress that has been made in each of these areas!