Letter regarding 2020 Congregational Meeting

On behalf of the Forcey Bible Church Board, this letter is to inform our members of our intent to hold the Annual Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, October 18th, 2020 at 11:45am** immediately following the in-person out-door service on the same day. The rain-date will be October 25, 2020.

The events of that day (October 18th) is as follows:

- **A continuation of our 10am virtual livestream** which has been our regular heartbeat during this COVID season. This will continue to provide those who are unable to attend or uncomfortable with attending in person to stay connected with the Forcey family and be engaged with our Pastor's sermon series.

- The in person-outdoor service at our Forcey Campus will continue as it has for the past few weeks but **instead of the current start time of 9:30am, the service will start at 10:30am.** This change, we in leadership hope would provide greater flexibility to attend not only the service but the congregational meeting to follow, without having to ask our members to return later in the day. Both the in-person service and the congregational meeting would be somewhat abbreviated in nature but still maintaining the essence of worship in the former and facilitating members rights to know and approve leadership decisions in the latter.

- The Board is also asking that all **after service Zoom group activities be suspended for this day only** to afford everyone would like to attend the opportunity to do so.

- Those unable to attend, online and mail-in ballots will be available that can be both forwarded to the Forcey Office. There will be an opportunity to submit questions by mail if you are unable to attend, and as many as time allows will be answered at the meeting.

This year there are three elder candidates proposed for approval, **Tom Beam, Jae Lee and Greg Staggers. This is to fill the positions left vacant by Bob Moore, Ralph Zimmerman and Gilbert Nwosu (who left two years ago, and the position remained vacant). There is one vacancy on the trustee board as Ken Wesche will be leaving and leadership is proposing David Bruce to be approved to fill that vacancy**. Additionally, we also would need to consider two missionary candidates for your approval 1) **Micah and Heather Powers with Teach Beyond serving in Germany at Black Forest Academy.** A school primarily for missionary children from 1st -12th grade, where Micah will serve as principal for one year and as administrator mentoring, training and encouraging the staff.   2) **Reuben and Loice Meriakol with Harvesters International (Pokot Outreach Ministries) serving primarily in South Sudan** with a focus on church planting, evangelism and discipleship.

  With these important function and decision in need of your support and approval we on the board are making a personal appeal for as many of you that can attend to do so. **We are also exhorting that as many who plan to attend should register to attend in advance**. This will be extremely helpful to us in

recognizing a potential issue, such as the lack of a quorum of voting member to validate the business conducted at the meeting according to our By-Laws or exceeding our capacity of attendees according to County limits. Regardless please try to pre-register and come out to support the leadership and also celebrate and appreciate the men that are going off the board for there faithful and exemplary service.

We the members of the Elder and trustee Board along with our Pastoral and Ministry Staff truly appreciate the grace and patience that has been extended to us by all of you. We recognize that not every decision that has been made in this season or will be made will meet with the approval of all. Please know that every decision in this tremendously challenging time is being made prayerfully and with our eyes on the calling of our Lord Jesus Christ as our priority and also on all of you the people of God. May He continue to strengthen us both in Himself.

Blessing to all who love the Lord

Wayne Lamy,

Chairman, Board of Elders