

September 18, 2023

Katy's First Baptist Church,

This past weekend, the Pastor Search Committee hosted our candidate for Senior Pastor. The weekend began with a Friday afternoon tour of Katy and the surrounding areas for him and his family. It concluded with an evening dinner hosted by our entire committee. It was a great time of fellowship and gave everyone involved an opportunity to get to know each other in a more casual and personal setting. On Saturday, we conducted interview sessions that included the candidate, and at times, his wife. This interview lasted several hours and covered a multitude of topics primarily centered around the following categories:

- 1) Personal Experience
- 2) Preaching/Teaching/Corporate Worship
- 3) Shepherding/Church Leadership
- 4) Pastoral Care
- 5) Counseling/Family Ministry

It was a long day, but the discussions that were had were important, not only for our committee's decision-making process, but the candidate's as well. The candidate was interviewing us as much as we were interviewing him.

Our committee met on Sunday to discuss the interview and vote on proceeding with the candidate. I am pleased to announce that we voted unanimously in support of Him. I can attest on behalf of the committee that we have seen the Lord work through this process in a manner that only confirms our reliance on Him and His willingness to bless our efforts in service to Him. I am also pleased to announce that the candidate and his family are also very excited in proceeding to the next step and seeing where the Holy Spirit leads.

There is still much work to be done and we are not yet at the point to put the candidate before the church. Included in the next steps is a meeting between the candidate and the deacons. It is critical for any pastoral candidate to know that he will have the support of the church leadership and that the church leadership will also have the support of the senior pastor.

Please continue to pray that the Lord's will be done and that His name is gloried. Pray that the Lord blesses our church as we wait on Him.

"Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the Lord!" – Psalm 27:14

For His Glory,

Brent Brewer
Pastor Search Committee Chairman