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PASTORAL SCREENING COMMITTEE NEWS

January, February, March 2022

Happy New Year New Hope family!

We are excited about what God has planned for the church and you in this new year of 2022. Since our last PSC newsletter on November 1, 2021, the Pastoral Screening Committee (PSC) has been quite busy working through the Pastoral Screening Process.

In this newsletter, we will cover “Communication methods,” “Where we have been,” “Where we are now,” and “Where we are going next” (December 2021, January 2022, February 2022, and March 2022).

Communication Methods

- New Hope MBC Website <http://www.newhope-mbc.org/>
- New Hope MBC Monthly Newsletters (Email/Snail Mail)
- PSC Monthly Newsletters
- Quarterly Church Meetings

Where we have been

On December 4, 2021, we presented a progress update at the New Hope MBC Leadership Conference. This update included demographics of the applicant pool: number of applicants, gender, age ranges, geographic location (regionally), and education levels. Additionally, the Committee reported on the disposition of applicants who were no longer under consideration for the position of Pastor of New Hope MBC.

Also, during the month of December 2021, the PSC conducted initial interviews with some of the applicants remaining in the screening process. These interviews continued through mid-February 2022.

On January 22, 2022, the PSC presented another progress update at the Annual Quarterly Church Meeting. This update included a recap of PSC activities since October 2021. A copy of the PSC presentation was included in the Agenda package. Members may request a copy of this package through the New Hope Administrative Office by calling (248) 353-0675.

Where we are now

The PSC has completed initial interviews of those individuals that are moving forward in the screening process. We are conducting preliminary background checks and are scheduling introductions to the congregation where candidates will teach a Bible Study lesson, teach a Sunday School lesson, and preach a sermon.

¹ *The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:*

² *Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; ³ Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. ⁴ And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. (1 Peter 5:1-4 KJV)*

Pastoral Screening Committee Members

Trustee Jonathan Trout, Chairman
Deacon Henderson Slaughter, Vice Chairman
Rev. Valerie Crump, Secretary
Sis. Jacqueline Bray, Assistant Secretary
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Where we are going next

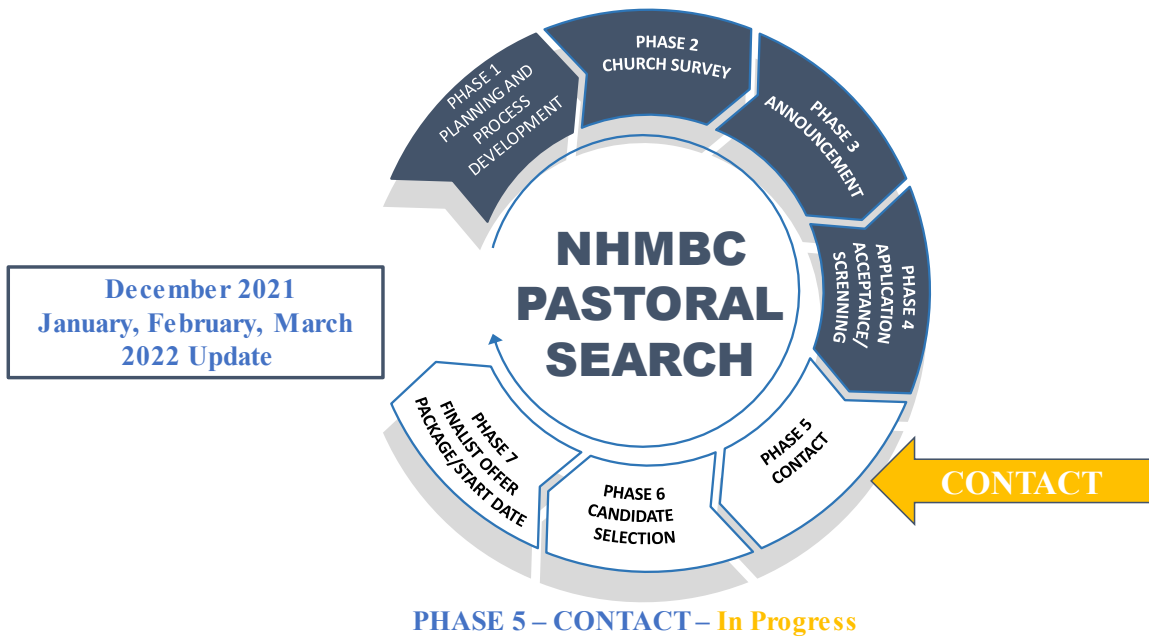
As schedules are confirmed with each candidate, announcements will be made to the church. The format of these encounters will be determined by our church re-opening status, COVID-19 protocols, and technology capabilities. We ask for your continued patience as we move through this phase.

The Committee remains committed in prayer to doing things decently and in order as we endeavor to maintain unity in this screening process. We solicit the prayers of the New Hope MBC family and ask that you remain open to seeing who God will reveal as our next Pastor.

Phase 1 - Planning and Process Development
Phase 2 – Church Survey
Phase 3 – Announcement
Phase 4 – Application Acceptance/ Screening
Phase 5 – **Candidate Contact**
Phase 6 – Candidate Selection
Phase 7 – Finalist Offer/Start Date

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Phase 5 CONTACT – **In Progress**



The Pastoral Screening Committee