

# Elders Meeting's Minutes

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The Elders of The First Christian Church of Effingham met on **Monday, September, 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 PM**. Those in attendance were Pastor David McConnell, Pastor Martin Reyes, Delaine Donaldson, Don Thoele, and Dennis Bushue.

The meeting was opened with prayer for the congregation and for a productive meeting, followed by a devotional. The Treasurer's Report and the Financial Secretary's Report were reviewed and approved.

During the meeting, the following points were discussed:

1. The property ministry looked into the possibility to change our glass doors for more secured ones, and got some quotes that ranged from \$11,000 to \$12,000. The property ministry has been asked to continue to look for more cost effective options to our congregations' concerns.
2. The anniversary committee has planned a rededication dinner for 09/22/18 at 5:30pm, at which time the time capsule and the capstone will be put in the wall.
3. After discussing the information gathered by Heather Wolke on what would be the ramifications of moving our fiscal end of the year, it was decided to not move the end of the fiscal year, and to draft a monthly financial summary of the Treasurer's Report. This summary should help our members have a quick overview of the church's financials, while the Treasurer's Report will continue to provide a detailed report of the church's financials.
4. The Elder's were informed that the overflow divider was broken during the wedding held on 08/18/18. The property ministry is currently working on fixing it.
5. Faith Promise Rally update: the church office has received confirmation from some of our missionaries that they plan to attend the week.
6. Since September has five Saturdays, a men's gathering event was planned for 09/29/18 at 6:00pm.

7. The church continues to look for a new organist and to ask for recommendations.
8. The Elders express a concern from a lack of participation of our youth during Sunday's worship service. It was decided to continue to talk to them about the importance of participating in Sunday's worship and to continue to find ways to help them connect and participate during worship.

During the meeting, the following decisions were voted on:

1. No votes were taken.

The meeting was closed with prayer. Next Elders Meeting will be held on 10/01/18 at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

**The Elders of First Christian Church of Effingham**