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Dear FPC Members,

Thank you for your prayers! We as a committee have felt them, and we are grateful. We are also thankful for the encouragement you have provided along the journey so far. Please know that we continue to covet your prayers and your support!

We have spent the last several months crafting our church profile and pastor profile. While it has been tedious work at times, we believe the profiles will serve as the foundation of our search. We want to make sure that potential candidates understand who we are as a church as well as what we are looking for in our next senior pastor. To those who completed the congregational survey several weeks ago, thank you. Your input was invaluable as we finalized the profiles.

Now we move into the next phase of our search as we begin accepting applications from candidates. To facilitate the process, we have posted the profiles on our web page (www.fpcmacon.org/pulpit-search-committee). We invite you to take a look and become familiar with the profiles. If you know of someone who might be a candidate, please direct them to the web page. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to one of us.

Chip's official retirement date is July 31st. As we have previously communicated, that does not mean that we must have the new senior pastor in place by August 1st. In fact, many consultants recommend an interim period after a long-serving senior pastor retires. We are not sure how long this process will take. We are placing our trust in God and His perfect timing.

We ask that you continue to cover this process in prayer. Please pray for:

- Wisdom and discernment for the committee
- Patience and peace for our church staff
- Guidance from the Holy Spirit for potential candidates

Thank you for walking through this process with us. We are excited to see who the Lord will provide as FPC's next senior pastor!

In Christ,

Bruce Leicht, Chair
Kevin Bridges, Vice Chair
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