

Ministry Home for Mission Update #1
Friday, March 24, 2023

Hey Lakeside Church!

It's 3:42 PM Friday afternoon as I'm typing this message. The leadership team just finished a walk-through on the yellow house on 1404 Eckerson Dr. This house is listed at \$319,900 and is move-in ready. There is nothing that needs to be done on this house except furnishing it.

All the details of this house can be found [here](#). It is the Leadership Team's recommendation to pursue this house over the cheaper one next door (1403 Indian Hill) due to the poor condition of that home. While we recognize this is a significant increase in financial capital, the amount of money and work to get that house to a comfortable, living state would be approximately the same cost. So it is the Leadership Team's recommendation to pursue this home should you as the congregation agree.

If you as a congregation support this endeavor and sense the Spirit leading us towards this kind of ministry, we will need to raise the money immediately. The house officially goes on the market on Tuesday, March 28th. Lakeside has two slots reserved on Tuesday, March 28th for viewing of the house. The entire congregation is welcome and invited to stop by at 9:00-10:00am or 5:00-5:30pm. We have both slots reserved for Lakeside folks.

If we as a church body want to make an offer on the home we'll need somewhat of an idea of what we can actually offer. So unfortunately fundraising will need to happen quickly. If you all sense this is not what we should do or not in the best interest of Lakeside Church please let the Leadership Team know immediately. We want to know what's on your heart and mind. This is Lakeside Church's responsibility. It's the congregation's decision. The Leadership Team will continue to cast vision and equip you all for the work of ministry. It's your job to serve the Lord in whatever capacity you sense God leading in you.

This Sunday, March 26th immediately after service we'll have another brief congregational meeting. Sarah Hayenga has agreed to offer her real estate expertise regarding the timing, how to make an offer and what we all as a congregation need to think through in this process. So a big thanks to Sarah for being willing to help us navigate this unique opportunity and process.

What do you all as a congregation need to do?

- **Pray**, seek God's direction
- **Ask questions**, reach out to Pastor Wesley, the Elders or Board
- **Give input & make a decision**
- **If yes, then support financially** (you can give online under "Mission Home" or in person); **if no, then please let us know & we can walk away from this endeavor**

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