

## ELDER MEETING MINUTES

(Summary)

March 5, 2026

Present:

Elders: Mike Lipsey, Chris Tenny, and Blair Bassett

Elder Advisors: Karen Stothers, David Belgum

Absent: Jon Singley and Tanya Martinez

Meeting began at 6:07pm with Mike opening us in prayer:

1. Something to Consider:
  - a. Discussed chapter 7 of Lead with Prayer.
2. Prayer: We shared prayer requests and reviewed those from the body and prayed.
3. Minutes review/approval approach – Blair
  - a. We agreed to including elder advisors in the review of minutes prior to formal elder approvals.
  - b. Normal approval of minutes from 1/29 and 2/5, 2/19 mtgs – on hold until all elders can all be present.
4. Angel start date and welcoming – Chris and Mike
  - a. March 23rd is his official start date.
  - b. Intro to the church intended for Sun Mar 29th. (later changed to Mar 22nd)
  - c. Chris and Stephanie will meet to work out a transition plan.
5. Tanya's job description: Discussed the importance of making that clear for Tanya and the staff as Angel's role is also defined.
6. Proposed communication and response protocol when feedback received from the congregation – Blair, Chris
  - a. We discussed the need for a documented protocol that considers the appropriate response and who is most appropriate to take ownership and own follow-up.
7. Discussed care for specific members of the body.
8. Update on Strategic Plan – Chris/Mike
  - a. Discussed getting volunteer help for Program Management for tracking/reporting progress.
  - b. Iglesia Nueva Vida has started meeting at the church on Sunday afternoons. We agreed this should be announced to the congregation asap.
9. Rental Home Update - Mike
10. Deacons Update:
  - a. Jon shared Jon Taecker's decision to retire from his Deacon role, which he also shared at the last Deacon's meeting.
  - b. The Taeckers to be thanked at Church on Sunday on Mar 15th.
  - c. We discussed next steps for naming additional deacons.
11. Karen closed us in prayer at 8:16pm.