

# BEFC Elder Meeting Minutes

Monday, Nov. 13th, 2023 3:30 PM @ Joe's

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

X	Hokan Bengtson
X	Tony Dupay
	Jerry Gudim

C	Tucker Howse
X	Joe Ley
	Jason Pfingsten

	Chris Salvevold

C-Called in

**Open in Payer**

- Hoke

**REFLECTION (What has God been doing in your life?)**

- Start the Meeting - Daniel
  - TH -
  - TD - God's Sovereignty
  - JL - Subtle Character traits of Daniel, not going alone to get answers
  - HB - My God can save me, but even if he doesn't...

**GUARDING - PROTECTION (Prayer)**

- Prayer for our church and for each other - wisdom for issues that arise
  - PST - Meeting on 20th
  - Community meeting 11/14
  - Communication Clarity before vote in January
  - Elders 2024
  - Sieg's wisdom - pray for God's will

**GUIDING - TEACHING (Ministry Reports)**

- Upcoming Sermons

Date	Announcements	Prayer
10.22	Jerry	PC/Kristin
10.29 Communion	Hoke opps/Tony Comm	Joe/Katie

11.5	Tony	Hoke/Dawn
11.12	Tucker	Jerry/Karen
11.19	Hoke	Jason/Kami
11.26	Joe	Tony/Cambria
12.3	Jerry	Joe/Katie
12.10	Tucker	Hoke/Dawn
12.17	Joe (Musical)	N/A
12.20	Tucker	All
12.31	Tony opps/Jerry	Jason/Kami

- Youth Ministry (Chris)
  - Sabbatical will start on 11/15 and end 12/13. Then I will finish off the year with my remaining vacation days and plan to be back in the saddle on Jan 2 (considering holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, and a wedding I'm officiating December 7/8).
  - Ensenada Expedition - looks like we're sitting at 22 people
  - Slope SLAM - Feb 29 through March 3 - Giants Ridge & Camp Esquagama
- Adult Sunday School (Tony)
  - "Foundations to Vision" Discussing Foundational Doctrines and applying them to our purpose, mission and vision statements.
  - [Adult Sunday School Schedule](#)
- Adult Small Groups (Tony)
  - Groups will meet the Six weeks after Christmas. Topic TBD
- Men's Ministry (Tucker)
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- BEFC Community (All)
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- Women's Ministry (Joe)
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- Children's Ministry (Tucker)
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- Worship Team (Tucker)
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- Building & Grounds (Hoke & Tucker)
  - Church Office Roof - Hail Damage - Joel T.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Text</b>	<b>Preacher</b>
8/20	Intro/Beatitudes	Matt. 5:1-6	David Stabley
8/27	Beatitudes, cont.	Matt. 5:7-12	Craig Howse
9/3	Salt and Light	Matt. 5:13-16	
9/10	Jesus and the Law	Matt. 5:17-20	Charles Morgan
9/17	Anger/lust	Matt 5:21-30	
9/24	Divorce	Matt. 5:31-32	Charles Morgan
10/1	Oaths	Matt. 5:33-37	Matt Kalliomaa
10/8	Retaliation	Matt. 5:38-42	Stephen Clayton
10/15	Loving your Enemies	Matt. 5:43-48	Stephen Clayton
10/22	Giving to the Needy	Matt. 6:1-4	Stephen Clayton
10/29	Prayer	Matt. 6:5-15	Matt Kalliomaa
11/5	Fasting	Matt. 6:16-18	Matt Kalliomaa
11/12	Treasures in Heaven	Matt. 6:19-24	Matt Kalliomaa
11/19	Be not Anxious	Matt. 6:25-34	Matt Kalliomaa
11/26	Judging Others	Matt. 7:1-6	
12/3	God Answers Prayer	Matt. 7:7-11	
12/10	The Golden Rule	Matt. 7:12-14	
12/17	False Prophets	Matt. 7:15-23	Boaz Prince

## NEW ACTIONS

- Thank you cards - Hoke
- Member Connection - Hoke p. 1-3 Tony p. 4-6 Joe p. 7-9 Tucker p.10-12  
Jerry p. 13-16 JP p. 17-end (Connect 1X in Nov. and 1X in Dec)
- Plan for the Meeting Tomorrow Night

Agenda: 1) Financial Update October

2) Financial Team Update

3) Search Team Update

4) Membership Discussion

- Reason 1: Belonging & Investment while using gifts to serve the body of church
- Reason 2: Accountability to one another & shepherding of the flock by the elders Function like a family - do life together in our community as brothers/sisters in Christ (Hospitality ex. - Nelson's and Ley's do this really well) (Article attached)

### GOALS FOR 2023:

- **Jerry G.** - A renewed focus on connection with Riverside Church Church in Mpls.
- **Joe L.** - Building a welcome and assimilation team - getting a solidified plan in place when we have visitors or new families.
- **Hokan B.** - Unify our Elder board through scripture reading (Texts) and fellowship (Games, food and doing life together intentionally, -bi-monthly)
- **Tucker H.** - To encourage strong biblical song selection in our worship, that encourages hearts to worship vertically with little emphasis on us or our actions and solely on the greatness of God. This will need to start from the four worship leaders and trend down through the worship team and ultimately should be easily detected by the congregation.
- **Tony D.** - My goal for Adult Sunday School will be by the end of this school year, regular attenders of adult Sunday school will be able to recognize BEFCs mission, vision and purpose statements and be able defend them in concept and with scripture. To accomplish this, the six weeks following Easter and up to the end of the year we will, in class dissect, each of these statements into parts and provide biblical basis for each argument. The hope is at the end we have, instead of seven banner carriers of our vision, 30 people who can explain and defend our purpose and vision.
- **Jason P.** - Financial updates during leadership community meetings

### NEXT MEETINGS:

- Tuesday, Nov. 14th Community Meeting 6:30-8:00 MS
- Monday, Dec. 11th 6:30 at Hoke's House
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Meeting minutes will be emailed for review and approval before publication to our church congregation

Respect privacy and focus on decisions made.

## **CLOSING PRAYER**