

Jan. 21, 2018

Dear Congregation,

The nomination process for elders and deacons has begun.

In September this year Paul Koole, Glenn Noort and Andrew Verkaik will leave their offices.

Therefore, Council requests you, the Congregation, to prayerfully submit nominations for the office of Pastoral Elder, (1 required), Admin Elder (1 required), and Deacon (1 required). Please note that Council is requesting at least twice the number of nominations as vacancies to be filled. In addition, one of the changes that Council has approved this year is that prior to nominating someone, we ask that you speak with them and after gaining their approval have them sign the nomination form before submitting it.

Please remember and take the time to do this, seeing this is your opportunity to be part of the process for selection of new leaders in this Church. This process may also be a good topic of discussion at your Care Groups.

We also encourage all of you, when asked, to allow your names to stand for office, seeing it is a privilege and honour to serve the Church of God and His people this way.

Nomination Forms are available on the counter in front of the church office, on the website for downloading and on the reverse side of this letter. They can be submitted either by dropping them off at the church office, emailing the completed and signed forms to the church office or you can hand them in to either Sylvia Welfing or myself.

Nominations will close on **February 25th**.

“Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full[a] respect. (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God’s church?). He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil’s trap.

In the same way, deacons[b] are to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons.

In the same way, the women[c] are to be worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything.

A deacon must be faithful to his wife and must manage his children and his household well. 13 Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.” 1 Timothy 3:1-13

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LICRC OFFICE BEARER NOMINATION FORM

DATE: _____

I/We, _____ (please print name)

_____ (please print name)

Hereby nominate _____

For the Office of ADMIN ELDER / PASTORAL ELDER / DEACON (circle one)

For the following Reasons: (Optional)

I, _____ (please print name)

Agree to let my name stand for nomination to the Office of _____

Nominator _____

Nominee _____

Date signed _____

Date signed _____