

Association of Free Lutheran Congregations



Dear World Mission Corporation Members,

"So will My Word be which goes forth from My mouth; it will not return to Me empty, without accomplishing what I desire, and without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it." Isaiah 55:11

In a few short weeks, we will be gathering on the campus of FLBCS for the AFLC's Annual Conference on June 12-15, 2024. The theme this year is "His Word Does Not Return Empty" based on Isaiah 55:11.

As members of the World Missions Corporation, it is our blessing to support the efforts of our World Mission's Board, our missionaries, and staff in order to fulfill the mandate of Jesus to take the soul saving Gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth. Without a doubt, our confidence rests on the promises of God and His Word.

As you prepare to attend the Conference, I encourage you to take time to read over the minutes of the Board and the newsletters of our missionaries. Our Corporation Meeting will be held on Friday, June 14 at 1:15pm in the Hauge Chapel. When each of us allowed our name to be placed in nomination, we agreed to uphold our work in prayer and support. An important part of that support is attending our Annual Corporation Meeting. We need a quorum of 26. I understand this requires a commitment of travel and time. Hopefully, you will make every effort necessary to be present. If there is anything I can do to make that possible, please contact me via text or call @ (605) 351-1159.

At this year's meeting we will be continue to discuss the issue of women serving on the WM Board. This is a significant matter that should not be taken lightly. I strongly urge you to prayerfully read the 'White Paper on the Role of Women' prepared by Pr. Ray Ballman, as well as the paper prepared by Pr. Craig Johnson on 'Who Should Serve on the Board?'. Pr. Craig has also submitted a proposed amendment to the By-Laws. A copy is included in your packet and on the World Mission Corporation website under the Annual Meeting tab.

You will notice the agenda places the discussion of the role of women on the Board and the vote on the proposed amendment, after we have already had the election of members to the WM Corporation and members to serve on the WM Board. This would require that we follow the current By-Laws of men serving on the Board. The reason I suggested this agenda order is two-fold: 1) In case the discussions are tabled, it enables us to conclude our required Corporation purpose of elections in a timely manner. 2.) If the amendment vote fails, no time is lost. If the amendment is approved, it gives us a reasonable period of time to adjust to what would be a major change in the long held practice of our AFLC Mission's Corporation and current WM Corporation.





Each year we need to vote on three of our Corporation's 4 officer positions. This year we will need to fill the offices of President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as appoint two corporation members to serve as WM representatives on the AFLC Foundation Board. Pr. Craig Johnson has one year remaining on his position as Vice President of the WM Corporation. As you remember, the VP also serves as Chairman of the WM Board. Please pray over these important offices and your willingness to serve.

Thank you for your love of Christ and confidence in the power of His Word.

Confident in His Word, Pr. Michael Brandt, Mission Corporation President

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