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Dear PCC,

Greetings from your Vice Chair! Following up on our Town Hall meeting on October 21, 2018, one of the fruits of the Church Council (also known as the Leadership Team, or “LST”) meeting on October 24, 2018 was a proposal for the LST to provide a regular update to our stakeholders. Hence, I am writing this letter to update you on some of the administrative decisions that are being made at PCC. Going forward, our Officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer) plan to send more regular LST updates.

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**I. Housing Foundation**

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of stakeholders to form a separate housing foundation. Those efforts culminated earlier this year in the formation of Aslan Housing Foundation, a non-profit entity separate from PCC. Aslan has the specific mission and purpose of providing housing resources for PCC staff across all of our ministries. A separate foundation provides for a means whereby donors, if they so choose, can specifically designate their funds for the express purpose of staff housing. In addition, it allows for oversight and expert leadership which is specifically focused on housing issues. Given the high cost of living in the SF Bay Area, the creation of a separate foundation by passionate stakeholders in our body could not have been more timely. I hope you had a chance to read the [email](#) sent earlier this week with more information about Aslan.

## II. Housing Committee

The creation of Aslan has also coincided with an overhaul of the LST's management of its existing housing resources. Recognizing the desire to protect confidentiality of information in making housing decisions, as well as avoiding conflicts of interest, the LST last month exercised its authority under our bylaws to establish a new special housing committee. This special committee, internal to PCC, is charged with making decisions regarding our existing housing resources. Given the fiduciary duties to the stakeholders at PCC, the LST will continue to oversee the decisions made by this separate committee. At the same time, we will rely heavily on the due diligence of the new special committee in all future decisions affecting our housing resources.

## III. Vision 2025 Highlight: School-Age Child Care

Our church has also been intentionally pursuing Vision 2025, the goal of seeing 10% of homes in Redwood City become Christ-centered homes. During the LST meeting on October 24th, we heard from Victor Hernandez about one victory on our way to the fulfillment of that vision: the explosive growth of PCC's School Age Childcare Program (SACC). Victor shared that we now have a 30+ student waitlist for this program. He also shared specific stories about how families have been exposed, perhaps for the first time, to hearing the gospel through the Bible Time program available at SACC. This is extremely encouraging for the LST, particularly in light of similar stories we are hearing from our Preschool. As Gary has frequently shared (and I'm paraphrasing), if we can capture the hearts of our children, then we can change this generation for Christ.

## IV. Kids Pastor Search

My prayers for our church this month mainly focus around our search for a Children's Pastor, which is being headed by Danny Bowers, our Families Pastor. As referred to above, the importance of ministry to our children cannot be overstated. Please join me in praying that our staff will identify the person whom God has already selected for this position.

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I also am praying for our culture of giving at PCC. In January, my wife and I took part in a Generous Giving retreat with fellow LST members (aka "JOG"). I was particularly struck by stories of business owners who made intentional decisions to give generously. What was so impressive was not necessarily the size or the impact of their gifts, but rather how their own lives were changed in the process. Often, the gifts brought life to a marriage, strengthened connections, and inspired others to be more generous. Coming away from that retreat, my desire was for all of us to experience that generous heart. Please join me in praying for our hearts to be open to generous giving. Maybe this means attending a "JOG" for yourself. If so, please feel free to contact me directly at [vicechair@wearepcc.com](mailto:vicechair@wearepcc.com).

Blessings to you all, and Happy Thanksgiving,

John Martin, PCC Leadership Team Vice Chair

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