

We appreciate your faith in us as your representatives. All of us consider this a daunting task, and we feel very overwhelmed by this responsibility. It took us several weeks to learn what was required of us; but, now we have taken many steps toward the goal:

1. We read several books and received training from Brett Selby, the Pastoral Leadership Specialist for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.
2. We wrote, distributed & analyzed a Church Vision Survey to gain some of your views on the direction we wanted to go as a congregation. (Thank you for that!)
3. From that survey, we made a profile of a potential candidate.
4. We also wrote a description of our church and community to hand out to the candidates.
5. Now, we are sorting through what is already over 160 resumes with four weeks to go.
6. Later, we will filter these down to one candidate for which the church will vote on whether to extend a call.

Please pray specifically:

- For **us**-as we passionately deliberate these candidates under the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- For our **staff**-as they continue to serve us all in an odd situation.
- For our **church**-that we might all have unity and patience as we work through this process.

Thank you for putting your trust in the Lord and us as we await His decision for Memorial.

We know that waiting on Him will yield great rewards!