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Gospel Light Family Meeting (27 Sep 2026)

Meeting began at 9:00 am

Church Covenant Reading

Prayer (Dave Kush)

Ministry Updates

Membership (Luke Bylsma)

- Pray for shut-ins (Paula Gomez and Donna Fynbo). Luke called to ask for volunteers (4-6) to write notes and letters to Paula and Donna. At least that many volunteered, and everyone is welcome to grab the card with their addresses.
- Member removal vote. We need to vote to remove members from the list, as they have moved to another church and are under ministry at another church body. Removal of Matt and Maddie (attending a church in Melbourne Florida). Vote to remove received, none opposed. Removal of Phil and Lydia Shiver (Heritage Bible Church, SC). Vote to remove received, none opposed.
- Pray for Quinn and Anna, they live in North Ogden and have been praying about attending a church closer to home

Financial Update (Will Sutton)

- Official financial report linked below
    - https://id21216.securedata.net/fsbcsl/menu-meetings.html
- 73.15% of the way through the year
- Made decision last time to transfer money to new categories (get the categories)

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- Off-budget funds
- Review current financial summary for 2026:
    - YTD total offerings, church spending, and budget for the year.
    - Reviewed the financial report (Jan 1 - Sep 24 2026)
        - Spent essentially all of the event and outreach fund
        - Exceeded the transportation budget
        - Spent nearly all of our planned renovation/repair fund
        - Paid all of our insurance fees
        - Spent all of our new technology budget
    - Reviewed how much we receive from the other churches that utilize our facility
    - Reviewed off-budget summary
    - Reviewed resource summary and investments that help grow the church's income.
        - Total resource from Jan 1: $128,093
        - Total resource from Sep 24: $129,688
    - Reviewed financial resources as of Sep 24
        - Bylsma Continuing Education
        - Major Repair and Replacement
        - Children’s Space Renovation
        - Ministry NHome Revnovation
        - Roca/Chine/urde funds
        - General Fund (estimate)

Financial Adjustment (Luke Bylsma)

- Budget has virtually doubled from 2021 to 2026. Increased budget means more of everything, budget to spend but also more things to cover and maintain. This takes a lot of time. Will has identified approximately how hours he spends every month to maintain our budget (40-50 hours each month). Will, at

leadership's request, has provided a 13 page summary of what he does.

- In order to care for Will and Ardis, but also acknowledging that book-keeping is still required. Leadership has done research and talked to other ministry leaders, and have found an outside source that could help us with book-keeping. The company in question is highly recommended, is a month-by-month subscription.
- Estimated cost is $6k-8k a year.
- Propose a budget adjustment in order to allow us, as a church, to afford this without adding additional funds to our budget. Items in consideration for reducing are:
  - Pulpit supply
  - Conferences
  - Decorations
  - New Member Ministry
- Adjusting the budget as proposed would transwer a total of $3,200 to Subscriptions and Church Management Software.
- Adjsut was taken to vote. Vote received, no votes against.

Ministry Updates

Deacons (Luke Bylsma)

- A number of the current deacons are reaching the end of their term of service and will be stepping down. Luke asks that the church pray for Acts 6 men that we can nominate for deaconship.

Leadership Cohort (Luke Bylsma)

- Leadership Cohort is designed to train up church members for leadership, mentorship, and teaching

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- Would include approximately 1 hour of course-work from home, 3 year-long
- Two in-person gatherings (Oct 17 and Nov 21)
- Topic for first semester: Theology
- Who is this for:
    - Everyone and anyone who wants to have a deeper understanding of the Word and to develop their leadership/mentorship skills
    - Hoping for sign-ups to end today

Jordan Grimsley (Luke Bylsma)

- Jordan and Samantha Grimsley. They live in Arkansas. They are burdened to come to UT, and Jordan has a desire to train to be a pastor. Discussion in place regarding having the Grimsley family come to UT in 2027 and for Jordan to complete a residency at GLC. Potential for

Ministry Home Updates (Luke Bylsma)

- Showed photos of the updates of the ministry home so far
- The kitchen floor is now being redone by the Lebanon church (from the state of Georgia), to include fixing the kitchen sub-floor
- The hope is to, after additional updates are done, to have an open-house to let church members visit the house and see the updates done

Read Isaiah 6:1-8
Broke up into prayer groups and prayed over members in our church and pray through one of the items discussed today.

Meeting ended at 9:51 am

Minutes taken by Tatyana Frost

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