



## **District Convention**

*Now You are the People of God*

- Faithful Pastors
- Bold Witnesses
- Empowered Stewards

## **Questions and Answers**

*From the Board of Directors*

The District Board of Directors is bringing various overtures to the Convention for consideration. These overtures include:

- Vision and Outcomes
- Board Governance
- Assistant to the President
- Term Limits
- Board Size

While you prayerfully study these issues, the Board of Directors believes it is important that everyone consider these issues based on fact. Please consider these Questions and Answers as you prepare for the Convention, January 22-25 in Grand Forks.

## **DISTRICT VISION STATEMENTS**

### **Question #1**

***Did conversations take place about the District's Vision?***

Yes, conversations took place in various places. Conversations were had at the Board of Directors, with the Circuit Counselors, at Planning Council, at various Winkels and throughout District.

### **Question #2**

***Did the Rural Ministry Task Force play a role in the setting of the District's Vision?***

Yes, the Task Force identified four areas:

1. Focus on Pastor – Encourage, Mentor, Accountability, Coach, Preaching
2. Equipping the People – helping them understand the Great Commission (Outreach)
3. Networking – Working together and sharing ideas
4. A Joint Vision – moves everyone in the same direction

And they discovered that the target areas for the Pastors and Congregations in the Rural Setting held very true for the Pastors and Congregations in North Dakota Towns and Cities as well.

### **Question #3**

***Who developed the Vision Statements?***

The District Planning Council.

### **Question #4**

***Is the District Planning Council something new for the District?***

No the District Planning Council has been a part of the District structure for many years.

### **Question #5**

***Who makes up the Planning Council?***

The District Planning Council is the members of the Board of Directors (12), the Circuit Counselors (6), the Division Chairs (5) and the Auxiliary Chairs (2). A total of 25 people make up the Planning Council.

### **Question #5**

***How long did the Planning Council works on the Vision Statements?***

Over a two year period the Planning Council and the Board of Directors work on refining and on focusing the Districts Vision.

### **Question #7**

***Are these Vision Statements important for the District?***

These Vision Statements help the District Leadership and membership focus on who we are in Christ and what work as a District that we are to be about.