



Fellowship Prairies

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Dear Tim, Elders Board and membership of Fairview Baptist Church,

Brothers in Christ, I write you on behalf of Fellowship Prairies. In view of biblical principles, the requirements of the bylaws of Fellowship Prairies Inc., the Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act, and the Alberta Arbitration Act, the advice of legal counsel and following a vote of the Fellowship Prairies Leadership Board; I need to inform you that Fellowship Prairies has appointed an Arbitrator according to the bylaws of Fellowship Prairies Inc. for arbitration between Fairview Baptist Church and Fellowship Prairies Inc.

The appointment of an Arbitrator is the next requirement in the Dispute Resolution process we have been in since beginning the dispute resolution process in 2024.

The Arbitrator is Brent Chapman, Regional Director of Fellowship Pacific. Brent will be in touch and inform you of next steps, requesting information and working with the authority afforded him under the Alberta Arbitration Act and the bylaws of Fellowship Prairies Inc.

I would like to remind you that the Alberta Arbitration Act allows for the terms of arbitration to be set by a corporation's bylaws. The bylaws of Fellowship Prairies Inc., section 9.02(c) states the following: "...The parties agree that all proceedings relating to arbitration shall be kept confidential and there shall be no disclosure of any kind. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding and shall not be subject to appeal on a question of fact, law or mixed fact and law."

We reaffirm our commitment to submit ourselves to the proper authority of the law and the membership as set out in the bylaws which have been approved and adopted by the membership of Fellowship Prairies Inc. We expect you, as elected voluntary members in this organization, to submit to the same.

We are praying for you and for God to bring this division to an end. We grieve the behaviour this dispute has given rise to and are earnestly working to bring it to an end most pleasing to God.

May God bless you and your church as you walk through this process with us.

On Behalf of Fellowship Prairies Inc. and the Fellowship Prairies Leadership Board,

Ben Smith, Board Chair

