

Join the elders on Tuesday, June 17th, to hear an update on elder leadership and decisions made over the past year. All are welcome to attend; please register at *https://willingdon.churchcenter.com/registrations/signups/2959103* 

The Willingdon Church Society elders are responsible for providing spiritual leadership and oversight for the church. The elders also set the direction and vision for our congregation, determining what is most important for the future of both of our campuses, Willingdon Church and Austin Heights Church.

## Affirmation Vote for Elders

During this time, "members in good standing" will have an opportunity to vote for nine elders. Six men are new elders, and three are current elders who will be affirmed for another three-year term.

Members eligible to vote must be active members in good standing (attending worship services, serving in a ministry and tithing regularly at Willingdon or Austin Heights) for at least the past two years. They have confirmed and followed the Membership Covenant as listed below.

### Membership Covenant

- 1. I Will Protect the Unity of My Church
  - ...by acting in love toward other members.
  - ...by refusing to gossip.

...by following the leadership and direction of the Elders and others responsible for my spiritual care.

...by agreeing to live by the spirit and direction of the "Restoring One Another in Love" paper.

- 2. I Will Support the Community Life of My Church
  - ...by attending faithfully.
  - ...by living a godly life.
  - ...by giving regularly.
- 3. I Will Share the Responsibility of My Church
  - ...by praying for its spiritual growth.
  - ...by inviting the unchurched to attend.
  - ...by warmly welcoming those who visit.
  - ...by speaking to unbelievers about Jesus Christ.
  - ...by participating in a Small Group.
- 4. I Will Serve the Ministry of My Church
  - ...by discovering and using my gifts and talents.
  - ...by being equipped to serve.
  - ...by developing a servant's lifestyle

#### **Elder Qualifications**

Willingdon Church follows the biblical qualifications from 1 Timothy 3 for elders and seeks men with the following qualifications to serve as elders:

- Above reproach
- Husband of one wife
- Sober-minded
- Self-controlled
- Respectable
- Hospitable
- Able to teach

- Not a drunkard
- Not violent but gentle
- Not quarrelsome
- Not a lover of money
- · Manage his household well
- · Not be a recent convert
- Well thought of by outsiders

In addition to the biblical qualifications, elders must also follow the membership covenant and have ministry leadership as listed below:

- · Attends service regularly
- · Volunteers in a ministry
- · Is a proven ministry leader (Life Group, Discovery, Leader in a ministry area)
- Regular tithing
- Biblical literacy
- · Shepherd's heart
- Humble servant leader



VINH DOAN ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH 3 Years

YEARS SERVED AS PASTOR **3 Years** 

MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Men's Ministry, Life Groups, Young Adults FAMILY Wife (Laura), Children (Grace and Aubrey) FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) 1 Timothy 1:15–16



ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH 11 Years YEARS SERVED AS PASTOR 11 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Adult, Family, Marriage, Care Ministries FAMILY Wife (Sue), Children (Elijah and Elisha)

FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Romans 8:28-29

ISAAC LEE

## **NEW ELDERS**



CORY WELLER

ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH **7 Years** YEARS SERVED AS ELDER OR PASTOR **NA** MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN **Student Ministries, Worship Arts, Welcome Centre** 

FAMILY **Wife (Bella)** 

1 Peter 5:2-3

FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Proverbs 3: 5-6



BRIAN POOLE ATTENDING AUSTIN HEIGHTS (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 27 Years YEARS SERVED AS ELDER (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 25 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN First Impressions, Finance, Life Groups FAMILY

**Wife (Marina), Children (Sarah and Alicia)** FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S)



AARON SPENCE

ATTENDING AUSTIN HEIGHTS (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 7 Years YEARS SERVED AS ELDER (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 3 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Young Adults group, Worship Arts

FAMILY Wife (Alyson) FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Job 42:2



SEAN WILLIAMSON ATTENDING AUSTIN HEIGHTS (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 29 Years YEARS SERVED AS ELDER (BLUE MOUNTAIN) 3 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Young Adults group, Worship Arts FAMILY Wife (Iryan)

FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Psalms 107:8-9

# **REAFFIRMATION ELDERS**



ROMAN BONDARTCHOUK



KEN DYCK



VINCE REIMER ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH 25 Years YEARS SERVED AS ELDER 6 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Discovery class leader, Small Group leader, STARTs, Russian Language Ministry leader, translator (substitute)

FAMILY Wife (Ekaterina), Children (Alexandra and Anna) FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Romans 8:28

ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH 24 Years YEARS SERVED AS ELDER 22 Years MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Life Groups, IT Committee, Admin

FAMILY Wife (Karen), Children (Keegan, Karsten, Khloe) FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Romans 12:2

ATTENDING WILLINGDON CHURCH
43 Years (WC)

YEARS SERVED AS ELDER 15 Years

MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN Youth volunteer, Mom's Place deacon, Discovery class leader, Marriage mentoring, Sunday school teacher, Elder

FAMILY Wife (Caroline), Children (Trilby, Stewart, Amanda, Maisie)

FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S) Psalms 34:3