

Executive Board

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Executive Committee

02/23/26

Item of Consideration: Recommendation for the creation of a Prayer Network Task Force

Highest Authority For this item: Executive Board

Originating Source: Executive Leadership of the BGCT

Background:

In Acts 6, the twelve apostles chose seven men in the Jerusalem church to oversee the distribution of food so that the apostles could “devote ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the word” (Acts 6:4, NASB). Prayer remains a central focus for the work of the church. In fact, it has often been said that prayer is the work of ministry.

As Texas Baptists rally around the call to fulfill the Great Commandment and the Great Commission (GC2), executive leadership recognizes that prayer is pivotal to the unity and efficacy of reaching our state for Christ. Therefore, the Prayer Network Task Force will meet to pray together, to discuss ways that prayer may be promoted across the Texas Baptists landscape, and to ponder the possibility of forming a network for the purpose of intercessory prayer.

Background Attachments: None

Recommendation:

We recommend the following persons be elected to serve on the BGCT Prayer Network Task Force until such time that the Task Force completes their work by presenting their findings to the Executive Board, along with possible recommendations, or the Executive Board votes to disband them: Ariel Martinez (chair), Gary Singleton, Vickie Dennis, Martha Haydon, Paul Kim, Gary Cook, Jason Paredes, Nancy Lawrence, Louis Rosenthal, Emanuel Roldán, Melana Monroe, Rene Maciel and Kevin Burrow; BGCT staff liaisons include Sergio Ramos, Oza Jones, David Foster, Joe Osteen, Carlos Francis, Rolando Rodriguez, and Chad Shapiro.