

Council Report for January and February 2019: Council continues to meet regularly and covets your prayers as we discuss and decide on matters relating to our congregation. The following is a summary of some items discussed at the last two meetings:

--Michelle DePooter, the chaplain at the Ministry to Seafarers in Montreal, will attend our worship service on March 3 and will give an update on the ministry there.

--A representative from Teen Challenge will attend our congregational meeting on April 25 and will share with us stories about their ministry and their plans to open a facility in Ottawa.

--Council has spent several meetings discussing the casting of lots as part of the process of choosing new office-bearers. This process will begin today by asking the congregation to nominate men who they believe have the gifts to serve as deacons and elders.

--Every three years the work of the pastors is reviewed and this process will begin in the near future. Some members of the congregation will be asked to complete an evaluation of Pastor Joe's ministry to our congregation.

--The Search Committee continues to meet and covets the prayers of the congregation.

--Classis Eastern Canada will meet in Kanata on March 1 and 2. The classical credentials were completed and delegates are being chosen.

--A letter was received from Calvin Theological Seminary but it was decided not to apply for a summer student this year.

--Some members of council will meet with Pastor Bernie on Friday, March 15, to talk about the needs of our congregation and how to address those needs.