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## ELDER NEWSLETTER 6.2

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Hi CAC Family! Isn't it great that we are truly a family! I hope all of you are having a great summer and enjoying the longer nights with light! Wouldn't it be great if it was light this late in the middle of December?! We would be able to get so much more done!

The General Council 2023 team had a great time sharing with all of you about what we experienced at General Council 2023. We hope you were able to get a glimpse of how we experienced God in such a real and tangible way at General Council 2023! We are confident, as we invest in our relationship with Jesus by sitting at his feet daily, spending time in prayer and fellowshiping and loving one another, that God will allow us to experience Him in real and authentic ways. We are excited that few of you are actually interested in attending a General Council in the future!

Talking about prayer, I read something this evening about prayer by Nicky Gumbel:

“Prayer is spiritual nutrition. Just as the body needs physical food, so the soul needs spiritual food. Prayer changes us. However, the Bible goes much further than this. Prayer is powerful. It is, as Charles Haddon Spurgeon put it, ‘the slender nerve that moves the muscles of omnipotence.’ Prayer has the power to change circumstances, other people and even the course of history.”

Change in our hearts and change in our life, change in the course of Canby Alliance Church history, starts with prayer. Keep praying! It's working!!

**PEAK UPDATE:** We completed 148 PEAK surveys for a whopping 51%!! This is pretty amazing considering we were aiming for a 30-35% completion rate! The elders wanted to thank each of you who completed the PEAK survey. This says a lot about how invested our church is in the future of CAC. We are anxiously awaiting the results of the PEAK surveys! You can be sure we will be sharing the results with the church via the Elder Newsletters once we get them back and the PEAK Team has had time to digest the results with the NW District Peak personnel.

We have our PEAK team established. The PEAK team includes the elders (Jim Trigg, Marlin Meyers, Jeff Reister, Mel Yamase) + Pastoral staff (Joshua Stager, Nick Charbonnier and Rachel Keen) + at large members (Sandi Beck, Brent Beck, Marilyn Greenleaf, Lindsey Lessley, Cadence Moore, Nancy Pickett and Jenny Schuening). Please keep the PEAK team in your prayers.

Once we have our Interim Pastor on board, Steve Fowler (from the NW District office) will decide on dates for our PEAK team meetings. This is when the work begins! In our prior Elder Newsletter 6.1, we outlined the sessions and what is done at these sessions.

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**INTERIM PASTOR UPDATE:** The Elders and Administrative Board have decided to ask Pastor Dennis Beatty to be our Interim Pastor and we just got the letter from Interim Pastor Ministries that everything has been authorized and Pastor Dennis is excited to be part of our Canby Alliance Family! He will start on July 5, 2023. He will be working 80% part time. He will begin preaching from July 16, 2023!

We are very thankful to God for walking with us through the last few months and especially for his provision of an Interim Pastor and the completion of the PEAK survey process. All of this would not have been possible without your faithful prayers and for all the volunteers that continue the ministry and work of His Church! Thanks to each one of you!

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