



## ELDER NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY February 22, 2026

Please submit form to the Reception Desk, at the Connecting Center, or any Nominating Committee member, Grace Pastor, or Elder.

### **NAME OF PERSON BEING NOMINATED:**

1. Is this person a member of Grace Community Church?  YES  NO
2. Please describe how you believe the man you are nominating qualifies for the office of Elder at Grace.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What contribution do you believe he would make to the present Board of Elders?

After prayerfully considering the needs of Grace and the personal qualifications of the above-named man, I nominate him for the office of Elder. I understand that he may be interviewed by a nominating committee, and as a result of this screening process, he may or may not be selected to be on the final ballot for congregational vote.

Signature of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_



### **Nomination of Elders**

Please prayerfully consider which men from our membership you believe could fill the role of Elder. Nominations for the 2026 Elder Board are from January 18 to February 22. Qualified candidates will go through an Elder nomination process and, in conjunction with continuing members of the Elder Board, will be presented for a congregational vote in June.

The role of an Elder is to provide oversight for the ministry, mission, and vision of the church. As under-shepherds to Christ – who is the Chief Shepherd – these men are responsible for the spiritual well-being and protection of the Body of believers as they are led by the Holy Spirit in shaping church policy, in overseeing the production and execution of the annual budget, and in leading and guiding the local church as it seeks to carry out our Lord's Great Commission to be making disciples.

These men are to lead with integrity and by personal example in prayer and worship. They are to teach, admonish, and encourage members to live out their faith in obedience to God. In partnership with the Senior Pastor, the Elders join with the pastoral and ministry staff in serving the church and safeguarding the teaching of the truth of God's Word. They are to be actively involved in the Body Life of the congregation and must be in alignment with the biblical qualifications and functions outlined below.

### **Biblical Roles of Elders**

- A. Shepherd the Flock: Acts 20:28-31; I Peter 5:1-3
- B. Lead Through Example: I Peter 5:3
- C. Teach and Exhort: I Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:9
- D. Refute Those Who Contradict Truth: Acts 20:29-31; Titus 1:9
- E. Manage the Church of God: I Timothy 3:5; 5:17
- F. Pray for the Sick: James 5:14

### **Biblical Qualifications of Elders**

"Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect.... He must not be a recent convert.... He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap."

I Timothy 3:2-7

"An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless – not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it."

Titus 1:6-9



Optional signature of the member being nominated: (It is encouraged and helpful to complete this section.)

I am a member of Grace. I am aware that I am being nominated for the office of Elder at Grace, and I desire to serve in this capacity. I understand that I may be interviewed by a nominating committee, and as a result of this screening process, I may or may not be selected to be on the final ballot for congregational vote.

Signature of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

For a more detailed discussion of the biblical roles and qualifications of an Elder, please see accompanying document, Nomination of Elders, or Article VI, Section 3, of the church constitution.