

December 19, 2022

Presbytery of St. Augustine Coordinating Council 1937 University Boulevard West Jacksonville, FL 32217

Dear members of the council:

In our final session meeting, we looked to the future when our church has been dissolved and our sanctuary, fellowship hall, classroom buildings, Scout house, and campus have been sold. Since Lake Shore Presbyterian Church began as a chapel 75 years ago, we have been an outwardly-focused, mission-oriented congregation. We have supported numerous community and world missions with our financial contributions and volunteer hours. Even now, we look outward and onward.

By unanimous vote, we make the following prayerful petition to our presbytery:

That, upon the closing of the sale of our property, the presbytery return at least 10% of the net proceeds to God through equal gifts to the Downtown Ecumenical Services Council in Jacksonville, a Christ-based social services organization we have supported for many years, Thornwell Home for Children, which we have supported since our chartering over 60 years ago, and DLC Nurse & Learn, a childcare center for severely handicapped children, that we have supported financially and by providing our facility for their afternoon and summer camp programs for 20 years.

And that the council prayerfully consider making grants to the following current ministries of our presbytery:

Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center, which we have supported, utilized, and enjoyed for over 60 years, and

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, our closest neighboring congregation, which is receiving many our members.

This petition is made in observation of the Guidelines for Stewardship of Funds adopted by our presbytery October 4, 2022.

Yours in Christ,

Session of Lake Shore Presbyterian Church

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