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Grace and Peace!

As you know, we will be making some important transitions in the weeks and months ahead. Please know that the session of the church, and the Presbytery of South Dakota are, and will continue to be involved in planning for the short-term and the long-term future of your church.

If you have concerns about what is happening or what might be happening, if you have ideas about the future and how we should be thinking about it—in short, if you have something to say—please know that I am here to listen, and so are your elders.

We will do all we can to make sure that this church remains a strong one, carrying out the work of God's Kingdom in Miller and in the world. For this to be the case, interesting things will need to happen. And I have every confidence that they will.

In all that we do, we run the risk of becoming complacent. The church is not an exception to this rule. But in the coming time of transition, we may also find a time of transformation. People will step up and do things they have never done before. People will help lead, people will work, people will think and pray, in ways they may never have done before. These things have happened in previous transitions in our church, and they will happen again. The church will be stronger for it.

I know that change is difficult for most of us, most of the time. But if we do it right, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, this church can be stronger than ever on the other side. I believe this to be true, and I hope you do, too.

Blessings,  
Brian Jones