

## **FPC Nominating Committee**

*“How do you know whom to nominate?”*

As you look to God for guidance toward possible nominees for the offices of Elder and Deacon, consider first the guidance God has already given you in Scripture. These offices do have Biblically based qualifications and it is essential that you know what those qualifications are. Please carefully read the following passages:

Acts 20:17-28

I Peter 5:1-4

Titus 1:5-9

I Timothy 3:1-13

### **At the same time, please consider these practical questions:**

1. Is this person converted to God in Christ?
2. Is this person regular in attendance at worship?
3. Does this person openly share his/her personal experience of Christ?
4. Has this person been an Elder or Deacon before? If so, did they serve well?
5. Will this person make a firm commitment to serve and attend meetings?
6. What kind of leadership skills and abilities does this person have?
7. Is this person trying to grow in faith by involving him or herself in the personal and corporate study opportunities offered in and through FPC?
8. If an Elder nominee, can this person teach the basics of the Christian faith?
9. Will this person be able and willing to give adequate time and effort to this office?

### **The following are not good reasons to nominate someone:**

1. This person has been around a while and it's their turn to serve.
2. This person is popular and well liked.
3. This person is successful in his/her secular vocation.
4. They are old enough in years (how old are they in Christ?).
5. It will help this person to “get active” again.