

Friday, October 25, 2013

To the Teaching Elders of Shenango Presbytery,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

For the past several months we, the members of The “Moving Forward” Theological Task Force, have been meeting with the purpose of creating a theological document that gives voice to what we believe and what we resolve to do together as brothers and sisters in Christ, given the changing landscape of our presbytery and denomination. The fruit of our work is the enclosed *A Declaration of Faith for the Presbytery of Shenango*. If you have not yet read the document, please do so. We also ask that you share the document with your Ruling Elders.

It is not the task force’s intention to have the document come before the floor of a presbytery meeting for an “up or down” vote, but we also do not want the document to be one more thing you read and place in a desk drawer soon to be forgotten. In other words, we want you to join us in engaging the document.

We are formally inviting you to join us for lunch on **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 12PM @ Shenango SeniorCare** in New Wilmington, PA. (A suggested donation of \$5 will help cover lunch costs.) Please RSVP in one of two ways: email [office@nwpresby.org](mailto:office@nwpresby.org) or call the New Wilmington Presbyterian Church office 724-946-3541.

During lunch we are going to (1) offer a brief overview of the document along with a summary of how it came to be written, (2) outline ways for you to engage the document moving forward, and (3) seek your commitment to partnering with other Teaching Elders in order to engage the document together.

If this is something you’d like to be a part of, send us your reservation and we’ll see you for lunch on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Sincerely,

The “Moving Forward” Theological Task Force  
Rev. Beth Creekpau, *Sandy Lake*  
Rev. Bill Crooks, *Trinity*  
Rev. Ralph Hawkins, *New Wilmington*  
Rev. Glenn Hink, *First Sharon*  
Rev. Augie Hurst, *Lebanon*  
Rev. Adam Rodgers, *Stoneboro*