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Hi Delaware Christian Church,

*"...God is the author of order, not confusion. This is how it is in all gatherings of the saints....
maintain the proper order in all things." 1 Corinthians 14:33,40 (The Voice)*

We are living in some enthusiastic times as a church. God has blessed us tremendously in every area of ministry but with blessings comes growth and with growth comes the danger of chaos and confusion.

Paul in 1 Corinthians 14:33,40 teaches us that our God is a God of proper order and not of confusion. He has given us tools of Vision and Mission, Constitution and ByLaw as protection from chaos and confusion allowing Delaware Christian Church to operate in a biblically faithful manner.

A Biblical church should have a Vision, Mission, and a Constitution and Bylaws because together they can greatly assist the leadership and ministers in the efforts of caring for the people, biblically organizing and conducting the ministries which have been entrusted to us by Jesus Christ.

It must be readily acknowledged, however, that these documents, despite their usefulness and desired precision, will avail nothing apart from the presence and power of the Holy Spirit of God in a church.

It is with this powerful awareness of our absolute dependence upon our Sovereign and Holy God that these documents are set forth within these bylaws (Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18; 2 Thessalonians 2:15).

Delaware Christian Church has evolved and grown as a congregation since our bylaws were last amended. These bylaws from 1996 do not reflect our present or our future which keeps us from faithfully serving God and his people.

Your DCC leadership has been working on revisions and has been advised by lawyers, church consultants and outside church counsel to make sure the new bylaws are in accordance with the Bible and Ohio State laws.

On Sunday, October 20th, DCC members will be given the opportunity to show their support of the new bylaws. Take the time to read the proposed revisions. The elders will be in room 200 during both services on Sunday, October 6th and 13th to answer questions and share the importance of these changes.

Copies of the current and proposed bylaws are also available online.

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