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Subject: Update from PDC Executive Board

> Dear PDC Pastors and Churches,
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> We hope you're doing well during the ongoing challenges of COVID-19. It has certainly been a unique time in the history of our nation, world, and God's Kingdom!
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> As many of you may know by now, former District Minister Gary Wall had a court hearing in August. At this hearing, Gary withdrew his "No Contest" plea, entered a plea of "Not Guilty," and the case was dismissed.
> Many of you have expressed concern for all parties involved as we've navigated this past year, both as a board and district. As the PDC Executive, we have done our best to care for all parties involved, but we recognize that our processing of this matter in real time appeared to hide the seriousness of the matter and to ignore the issues related to it. We regret the pain this caused and are committed to making improvements moving forward. We have been reminded through this experience that the PDC is like a large family that truly cares for one another, but also needs better procedures in place when difficulties arise.
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> With that in mind, we'd like to share several thoughts from a recent meeting we had on this matter:
> - We will be seeking resources that will help us clarify the roles and responsibilities of our current leadership structure.
> - We will be working closely with our various boards to assure that care for self and family is prioritized.
> - We take very seriously the issue of Human Trafficking in our world and would hope that our not addressing this issue sooner has not been perceived otherwise.
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> We want to thank you as our PDC family for your ongoing concern, prayer support, and genuine desire to care for Gary and his family, as well as for one another. All our boards appreciate your input to the roles we play in helping lead the PDC. May the Lord bring healing and wholeness to all of us as we trust in Him.
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> Sincerely in Christ,
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> The PDC Executive Board