The Discipline/Faith and Practice Revision Committee has met 6 times since the last Representative Committee meeting and is making good progress in its work. We operate under a minute from 2014 to “begin the next revision of our Faith and Practice” and propose to proceed with this work in the following way:

We plan to create a new Faith and Practice that will be available in two sections, the first a “generational” document representing the heart of our faith and practice, and a second consisting of a collection of organizational and supplementary materials that are more directly linked to changing conditions and structures or that serve as resource material. Both “books” will be posted digitally, downloadable, and available for print-on-demand, but the first is designed to exist with little or no change for a decade or more, and the second to be subject to periodic additions or changes. Our present Faith and Practice we feel is in many ways richly useful and will remain as a basis for our work. The “generational” text will reflect in the main the first half of the present text, and the resource text mainly the second half.

To support this work, we ask that this Representative Committee request that:

a- Our Nominating Committee be asked to bring to the Annual Session the names of three additional members to serve on our committee for the duration of this revision, and to consult with our committee regarding our specific needs in doing so, and that

b- Our committee be given a significant period of plenary time at AS 2022 to clarify to the larger community the nature of this undertaking and to ask for guidance and support in the work.

We propose to bring to the annual session a draft plan for this composite work, setting out:

a. how we might sort present material into these two books
b- which materials we have come to believe are in need of revision
c- what resources we believe we will need to complete the project, which may include additional committee members in the following year.

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