

## Update on the Freedom, Unity, and Responsibility Resource Paper

The writing team working on the Freedom, Unity, and Responsibility Resource Paper has continued to move the project forward during this last year. We have a 12-page working draft of the paper under line review as of this date. It is our intention to begin to advance the paper for further review by many groups of Covenant readers in the coming months, learning as we go, refining as we learn from the larger body.

It is our intention to bring a final draft to the Annual Meeting in 2023, where the delegates will act on whether to adopt this as a Covenant Resource Paper that can equip future Covenanters in upholding our ethos and practice as careful readers of Scripture and brave companions of one another in the love and fear of the Lord.

From the beginning we were tasked to create a foundational resource that would help the Covenant renew our heritage as a pietist community of readers under the word of God, a people free, united, and responsible in Christ, called to listen for the Father's voice, called to unite in Christ's mission, called to serve in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Dr. Hauna Ondrey joins me in doing the primary work of writing. Our team members and editors fully engaged also include Dr. Stephen Bilynskyj, Nilwona Nowlin, Doug Bixby, Dr. Donn Engebretson, Angela Yee, and Dr. John Wenrich.

[Team Note: Rev. Lance Davis, former Executive Minister of Develop Leaders, resigned 1/31/2022.]

Yours because of Him,

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Chair, Writing Team

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