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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Genesis Conference,

Greetings in the name of Jesus, Lord of all!

I am pleased to write on behalf of the Superintendent Selection Committee. As you know, Superintendent Pam Braman has served as your Conference Superintendent for nearly four years. According to the governance of the Free Methodist Church, in the final year of a superintendent's term an evaluation of the ministry is to be conducted as a basis for the Committee's work to bring a nominee to the delegates of the Annual Conference.

In December, an evaluation was sent to all pastoral and lay delegates of the Conference, along with lay people serving in other conference ministries. The responses to this survey yielded valuable insights into the superintendent's effectiveness. These responses have brought clarity and confidence in completing the nominating process. I am happy now to report on our work.

The Conference-wide evaluation of the Superintendent's work expressed deep appreciation for Superintendent Braman's oversight in the Conference. Respondents especially affirmed her implementation of equal opportunity for women and people of various races and ethnicities, her commitment to the doctrine of the Free Methodist Church, her ability to cast vision and set goals, her exemplary marriage and valuable spouse, Marshal, and the evidence of a Spirit-filled life that she exhibits. The overall results of the survey were extremely positive.

I am pleased, therefore, to report the action of the Committee to nominate Superintendent Pam Braman for a second term as Superintendent of the Genesis Conference.

Per our governance as the Free Methodist Church, the Annual Conference receives the report of the Committee and then responds to the nomination with a ballot vote. At our upcoming Annual Conference on May 14-15, ministerial and lay delegates to the 2020 Annual Conference will have an opportunity to cast a ballot in response to the Committee's nominating work.

I want to express my thanks to the members of the Superintendent Selection Committee. They are: Jim LaBarr, Eric Logan, Cindi Newman, Dave Prince, Dodi McIntyre, Jeremy Kelly, Ruth Logan, Louis D. Colon and Pam Kimmel.

May the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and the Genesis Conference with great joy and abundant fruit!

Linda Adams
Bishop