

TENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastoral Selection Committee Presents

Dr. William (Liam) Goligher as Pastoral Candidate (nominee) for Senior Minister

Presented January 2, 2011



Dr. William (Liam) Goligher (3rd from right) and his wife, Christine, (4th from left) with four of their five children and their respective spouses on the happy occasion of the marriage of their son, Andrew, in August 2010.

The Pastoral Selection Committee unanimously and without reservation endorses Dr. William (Liam) Goligher as the pastoral candidate to serve as the next Senior Minister of Tenth Presbyterian Church.

Pastoral Selection Committee Members

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Rev. Marion Clark, Rev. Carroll Wynne, and Robert Polen served as ex officio members.

On behalf of the Pastoral Selection Committee, as well as the Session, I am delighted to present to the congregation Dr. William (Liam) Goligher as the nominee for Senior Minister. After careful prayer and diligent efforts in reviewing a number of men, we believe Dr. Goligher is the Lord's choice for this church. I can assure you the Committee took very seriously Session's directive *"to identify the man God already has in mind to be the next Senior Minister."*

On April 25, 2010, the congregation approved the Session's recommendation to appoint a Pastoral Selection Committee to undertake a search process for the church's next Senior Minister. I am deeply indebted to each committee member for his/her commitment and invaluable assistance. Along with countless hours of deliberations and prayer, we realized ultimately that we could only trust the Lord and lean not on our own wisdom or understanding (Proverbs 3:5-6). Each member, too, solicited the prayer support of at least two people during the process. Members from this congregation, as well as individuals outside Tenth, often encouraged us with reminders that they were praying for us. Through these efforts and the Lord making known in his acts of providence, the Committee joined unanimously in recommending Dr. Goligher to Session on December 21, 2010.

I trust the pages in this booklet will help you understand our excitement in calling Dr. Goligher. Additionally, you will learn something about his family and his philosophy of ministry. Our prayerful hope is that this booklet, among the other activities planned in the coming week, will prepare you to make an informed decision regarding Liam's call during the congregational meeting on January 9, 2011. The meeting will follow a sermon of call preached at both the 9 am and 11 am worship services. In the meantime, if I or another member of the Committee can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Psalm 47 reminds us that it is the Lord who has "chose[n] our inheritance for us." We praise him for the great spiritual benefits in his Son and for those God in eternity past chose to lead us onward to that heavenly inheritance. May our great and good God always be praised from this congregation.

Sincerely,

George K. McFarland
Chairman, Pastoral Selection Committee
Clerk of Session

Richmond, London

Dear Friends at Tenth,

I'm not sure I can remember a time when I wasn't aware of Tenth, and my life has been touched by each of the last four ministers. I heard about *Donald Gray Barnhouse* from my mother and grandmother as they filled my mind with glowing tales of great preachers they had heard. Their passion for preaching influenced my own growing conviction that God had made me too to be a preacher. It also piqued my interest in Barnhouse, and I devoured everything of his that I could find.

I first discovered *James Montgomery Boice* as a college student and suggested to my new girlfriend (Christine) that her parents might give me his new commentary on Philippians for our first Christmas. We actually met the Boices once, in a store in Glasgow, shopping for kilts for their girls. I couldn't believe it! I skirted around various displays to ensure it was *him* before having the courage to introduce myself. He was so gracious and interested. He sent a young preacher home walking on air that day. I only heard him preach once, at the Keswick Convention where he spoke on Romans 1. That one experience was worth the 300 mile round trip.

When we lived in Canada, we had *Mario DiGangi* preach to our church and then entertained him in our home with boisterous kids and Pop Tarts (the only thing we could find to serve him with his coffee). I recall his gracious manner, his perspective on inner city ministry, his encouragement to preach the doctrines of grace, and his moving prayer for us as a family.

Our most recent connection with Tenth grew out of my friendship with *Philip Graham Ryken* who graciously asked me to preach for three Sundays in 2006, and the rest, as they say, is history. Our visits each subsequent summer have given us a growing affection for the people and the place.

When asked at the beginning of the summer whether we would consider a move from our present sphere, we instinctively said that we would not. We felt settled and comfortable living in Richmond and working at Duke Street, with four of our five children living close to us. But using such words as "settled" or "comfortable" is a dangerous thing in Christian ministry. Since the summer we have felt an increasing loosening of the roots. Several providences, a conversation with Eric Alexander (who knows both me and Tenth), and a redirection of our own hearts, have served to make us realize that God was calling us to a new sphere of service, and as we have prayed, we have felt increasingly drawn to Tenth. That impression has settled into a strong conviction of God's call in recent weeks.

Tenth has a strategic role to play in serving the kingdom in the city, the nation and the world. Its strong pulpit ministry, its multiple ministries that have earned the respect of many, and the rich resource of its membership spread throughout the region give it a unique opportunity to get the gospel out in ways denied to other churches. I am excited at the possibilities of developing the ministry to Center City residents, to those involved in the arts, medicine, and business and, through ministries of mercy, to the poor and the underclass.

On a visit to Philly recently, I joined the first commuters as they arrived to grab their Starbucks on their way to work in the businesses and institutions that are the engine of this great urban center. As I walked the streets and prayed for guidance, I sensed the heart of God for the multitudes that live and work around the city and region. And as I write this letter and reflect on that early morning experience on the streets of Philadelphia, the words of God to Jonah have come upon me with fresh power: "And should not I pity...that great city...?"

Grace and Peace,

Liam and Christine

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1. Meet Dr. William (Liam) Goligher

Dr. Liam Goligher was born and raised in Glasgow, Scotland, in a Christian family. At the age of eleven he attended an event where a film of the Reverend Billy Graham had a profound impact on his life. He had never before heard a person preach with such passion and conviction, and from that point forward, he knew that God had called him to preach too. On his own initiative, he began to study theology from whatever books he could get his hands on. Before long, he realized that he was a Calvinist, though he didn't know another living person with similar beliefs, and he was unsure of exactly what to call his beliefs. After College in Glasgow, he graduated in Theology from the Irish Baptist Theological College in 1973, and in 2004, he earned his Doctor of Ministry degree from the Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi.

Liam married Christine Nora Hughes in 1972. They have five children (Louise, 1974; Ruth, 1975; David, 1977; Sarah, 1985; Andrew, 1986) and four grandchildren. One daughter lives in northern New Jersey with her husband, who is a pastor of a Presbyterian church.



Since April 2000, Dr. Goligher has served as Senior Minister at Duke Street Church, an independent Reformed evangelical church in West London. During his ministry Duke Street has seen significant growth among young professionals and young families, and it has grown in cultural diversity. The number of church employees has also increased from three to fifteen. Through Liam's leadership, Duke Street Church began a trainee system and instituted an eldership within the church. He also led the church to adopt the Westminster Confession of Faith and recently directed it through a capital campaign, where the equivalent of \$6 million dollars was raised to restore and upgrade the church. Liam preaches both morning services and the evening service.

Duke Street is a metropolitan church that draws its people from a wide area of West London. The church has sought to build a community of believers who are devoted to the making and maturing of fully committed followers of Jesus Christ. The church has a long history with a gospel witness since the middle of the 19th century and began when C.H. Spurgeon sent one of his students to found a new church in the borough of Richmond, London. The website writes of the church's legacy: *"Since its earliest days, Duke Street has faithfully maintained its witness to the message of Jesus Christ—in days of spiritual decline and of revival."*

Duke Street has had a history of innovation when it comes to getting the Christian message out to the community and the world. This outreach to and engagement with the city of London targets several key areas, including the business community, families, and the homeless. The church has a growing number of young families living nearby, so they have various programs for mothers, children, and youth throughout the week, as well as on Sundays.

Liam Goligher has been closely involved in Bible teaching and evangelistic ministry among college students. He has spoken at conventions throughout the world, and he has preached regularly at conferences and churches in the United States. Liam has contributed to more than ten books and authored four, including *The Fellowship of the King* (Carlisle, 2003), *The Jesus Gospel* (Milton Keynes, 2006), and *Joseph—The Hidden Hand of God* (Fearn, 2008). He has spoken at pastor training conferences in Ireland and Scotland, and his Sunday morning sermon is heard on radio throughout the United Kingdom and through satellite and cable channels.

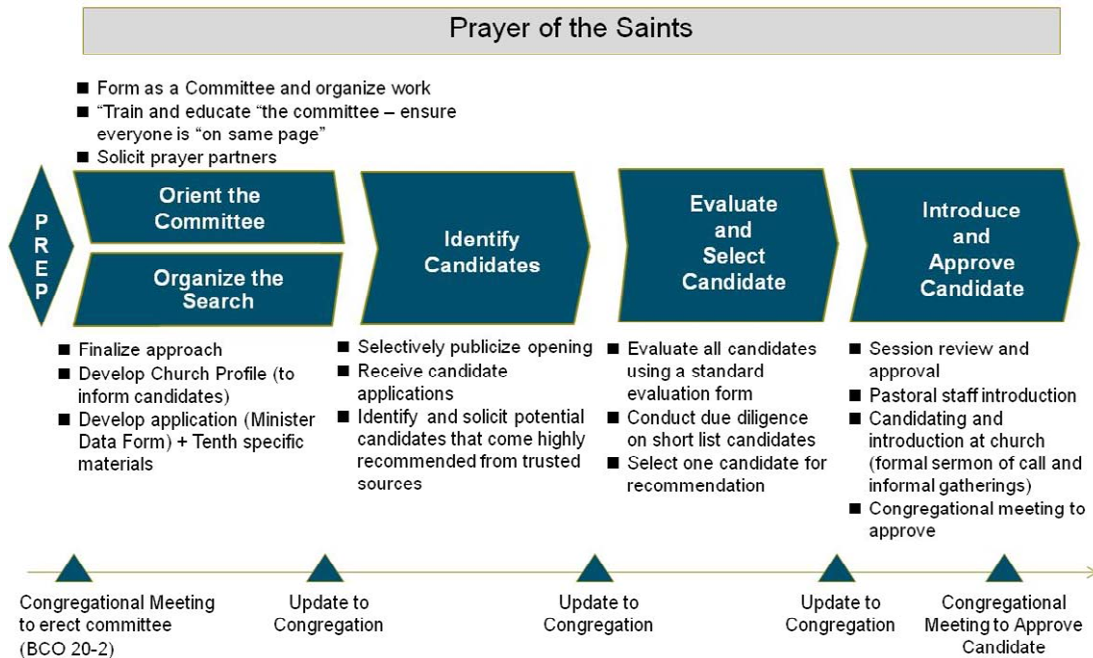
Liam's external ministry involvement includes providing leadership in mercy ministries such as Glasgow Pregnancy Crisis Centre, Esperanza Trust (which seeks to meet material, social and spiritual needs of the poor in Argentina), and Keychange Charity (which serves the poor and homeless in London). Liam is also

actively involved in Keswick Ministries, first as a speaker and more recently as a trustee.

2. The Pastoral Selection Process and Session Oversight

On April 25, 2010, the congregation of Tenth Presbyterian Church, in accordance with the *Book of Church Order (BCO 20-2)*, erected a Pastoral Selection Committee. The purpose of this Committee was to undertake a process on behalf of the congregation to identify the man God already had in mind to be the next Senior Minister at Tenth Presbyterian Church. Since that time, the Committee has endeavored, in humble reliance upon God, to be faithful to this assignment.

At this same meeting, the congregation approved the process presented below that the Committee has followed in carrying out its assignment.



The Committee has adhered to two guiding principles. First, we committed to wait upon God's timing to raise up the man he would have for us. Our God is sovereign. He knows the needs of Tenth, and he provides in accordance with his will and in his timing. We have sought to be faithful in waiting upon him. Second, we committed to praying for the work we were called to do. We prayed as a committee, we prayed as individuals, and we solicited prayer from "prayer partners," as well as the congregation through periodic prayer requests. We have been amazed at the number of individuals with whom we interacted around the country who indicated they were praying for Tenth during this time of transition. We are blessed to have such prayer support.

What follows is a summary of key highlights and milestones of activities occurring between when the Committee was formed and this announcement.

The Committee developed application materials, including the Senior Minister profile, a church profile, and an application comprised of six questions relating to topics such as the applicant's philosophy of ministry, worship as it relates to the life of the church, and sense of calling. These materials were posted on Tenth's website.

Concurrent to receiving applications, the Committee also actively solicited names of potential nominees from friends of Tenth. These friends know the church well and have an extensive network within the PCA denomination.

The fruit of conversations with some fifteen friends and the open application on the internet resulted in approximately eighty applicants and nominees. Each of these men was evaluated and discussed.

During the summer, the Committee was able to narrow the field of applicants to a smaller number of men. This enabled us to enter the fall spending significant time evaluating the remaining applicants more thoroughly. As a committee we read numerous applications, listened to many sermons, conducted interviews, checked references, and had lengthy discussions with the applicants.

Through this process, it was a blessing to see God's hand at work in building a strong consensus around Dr. Goligher. Specifically, God used written responses to questions, sermons, and a lengthy teleconference in October with Liam to build this unity. However, it wasn't until after the Committee interacted with Liam and Christine during a three-day visit to Philadelphia immediately before Thanksgiving that the members could with one voice say, "*Yes, this is the man we believe God is calling to Tenth.*"

The Committee notified the elders on December 21 during a special meeting of Session that they were seeking approval to recommend Liam to the congregation for the position of the next Senior Minister at Tenth. The Session responded enthusiastically and unanimously to this recommendation. A schedule of activities was developed to culminate in a sermon of call (this schedule is available at the end of this document).

We praise God for his faithfulness to Tenth over these past 175+ years. We look forward to his continued blessing in the coming years and pray earnestly that he would use Liam greatly in accomplishing kingdom work at Tenth for his glory and honor.

3. Why Dr. William (Liam) Goligher: The Nominee's Candidacy

Responses to Questions on Initial Application and Follow-up Questions:

What is your theology and philosophy of ministry?

My life's ambition has been to love and serve Christ by loving and serving his Church by the power of the Spirit to the glory of God. I believe the church should be a biblical, worshipping, caring, and serving community of God's people.

I believe the church should be a *biblical church*—one which is committed to the primacy, inerrancy, and sufficiency of the revelation of God in Scripture, where the Scriptures are expounded with integrity and relevance, with the goal of equipping the saints and presenting every member mature in Christ.

I believe the church should be a *worshipping church*—whose people appreciate the privilege and significance of public worship and who gather together as God's covenant assembly at his command to meet God and hear his word; a church that frequently and joyfully celebrates the gospel sacraments, that enthusiastically joins in public praise and prayer, that knows God is always in its midst, and that comes before him in great humility; whose people enrich the worship with their musical skills; and whose people express a life of worship in their homes, their weekday vocations, and in the common things of life.

I believe the church should be a *caring church*—whose people reflect the social, racial, and cultural diversity around them, exhibiting the unity and diversity of the family of God; whose fellowship is warm and welcoming, and never marred by anger, selfishness, jealousy, or pride; whose members love one another fervently from a pure heart, bearing with one another, forgiving one another, bearing one another's burdens,

and stirring one another up to love and good deeds; a church which offers friendship to the lonely, support to the weak, restoration to the fallen, and acceptance to those who are despised and rejected by society; a church which diligently cares for its own but whose love spills over to the world outside in acts of mercy and deeds of compassion; an attractive, infectious, engaging fellowship which reflects the love of God himself.

I believe the church should be a *servant church*—which has seen Christ as the self-emptying, self-humbling, self-sacrificing Servant and has heard his call to be a servant too; a church which is delivered from self-interest, self-service, and self-importance; and whose members give themselves selflessly to the service of others, leaving public worship to go out to love their neighbor and serve the world in their secular vocations and in their daily relationships as those who love our Lord Jesus.

How does the gathering of God’s people for weekly worship function in the life of the church?

It is possible to describe public worship as covenantal, biblical, and congregational. It is *covenantal*, since the gathering of God’s people for weekly worship can be described as the assembly of his people coming together at his command to respond in prayer and praise to his word. Through his word his promises are repeated, and we are sent out to serve the world and love our neighbour as those who are in love with King Jesus. Public worship is *biblical*. The word of God shapes our corporate worship—we read, sing, pray, and preach the Bible—and the spoken word is expressed visibly in the gospel sacraments. Public worship is *congregational* in that the whole people of God sing together to express their praise and to teach one another the things of God.

What is a favorite passage of Scripture which has shaped your view of spiritual leadership?

Perhaps no passage of Scripture speaks more to me about leadership than the story of Christ’s washing the feet of his disciples in John 13. Behind the outward action of foot-washing, there is a spiritual lesson (“what I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand”). The washing pointed to a spiritual ministry. The first calling of the Minister of the Word is to serve people with the gospel which will make them clean and restore them to a living relationship with their Lord (“if I do not wash you, you have no share with me”). Servant-heartedness and gospel-centeredness are the foundation of effective ministry that brings glory to God.

Explain any exceptions that you take to the Westminster Confession of Faith.

I am happy to subscribe without reservation or exception to the Westminster Standards. Throughout my ministry I have sought to teach the Bible within the parameters of the Confession, have been responsible for introducing the Westminster Standards as the subordinate standard of my present congregation, and have taught (a form of) the Catechism to the children. As the last of the great Reformation creeds, it represents the mature expression of Reformed orthodoxy and gives fuller and more precise definition to controversial areas of doctrine. It is unsurpassed for its precision and clarity of expression.

Are you familiar with the PCA Book of Church Order, and do you take any exceptions to it?

I am in complete sympathy with the *Form of Government* and am a Presbyterian by conviction. *The Rules of Discipline* have been useful to our own elders here in dealing with church issues. The treatment of offences and the outline of process have been invaluable. Meanwhile, *The Directory for the Worship of God* has been of great help. We have used its guidelines in the structuring of worship in reference to the sacraments and have adopted some of *The Forms for Particular Occasions*—Marriage Services, Dedication of a Church Building, etc.

What do you believe is the greatest challenge people face in global cities today?

London, where I live, is a world class city with 11 million people, which means that wherever someone lives and works he/she is within reach of more people than live in all of Scotland! As cities have grown, challenges have grown:

Loneliness grows in a crowd, and this is particularly acute among single people in the 35–55 age range. Younger people find it hard to make meaningful connections and meet suitable spouses.

Cultural diversity is most apparent in cities. City churches cannot afford the pleasure of being mono-cultural; therefore they have to find creative ways to get the gospel out to the various cultural groups (educational, generational, or racial subcultures).

Social deprivation is set in a context of *urban affluence*. The socially deprived can feel marginalized by society and excluded from whole areas of normal life (normal as defined by the stereotypes they see on TV). In cities the poor live shoulder to shoulder with the rich. Poverty, homelessness, racism, and emotional, or psychological inadequacy are destructive forces most acutely felt in the city.

People work in the city. An active *business community* near the church offers an opportunity to provide teaching and training and to do evangelistic work. *Academics and students* form a distinct category, and for students, particularly, hospitality is a key tool in drawing them into the church. *Artists and creative* people require tailor-made approaches.

Cities lack a sense of *social cohesion*. Community is easier to imagine in suburbia or in a small town or city. How does a church build community among city-dwellers? There are many creative answers to that question. With a centrally-located facility there is already an opportunity to serve the local business, professional, artistic, and residential communities by opening its doors, addressing relevant issues, and offering targeted hospitality. It is also vital to be intentional about creating networks of relationships that stretch throughout the region and provide the possibility of fellowship and service.

In cities, churches have the opportunity of expressing Christian unity by working alongside other Christian groups and agencies to advance the gospel and minister to practical needs.

What is your view on Baptism?

I am in full agreement with the Westminster Standards as they speak on baptism. In the NT, baptism has its foundation in circumcision in the OT (Gen. 17:10, cp Col. 2:11–12). Circumcision was a sign and seal of the forgiveness of sins and sanctification in the covenant of grace. When John the Baptist announced the coming kingdom and forgiveness of sins, he baptized with water, which was intended to indicate that God had remembered his covenant. The water of baptism becomes a sacrament through the words of institution, though the Trinitarian formula does not magically turn the water into the blood of Christ, nor does it regenerate. The Holy Spirit is active in baptism as with the ministry of the Word; he is present spiritually and answers to faith. All Christians must be baptized, and baptism should be administered to believers and their children. Baptism is an ordinance of the gospel.

A Comparison between the Senior Minister Profile and Liam Goligher's Qualifications

Senior Minister Profile	Liam Goligher's Qualifications
<p>Personal</p> <p>A sinner saved by grace, mature in Christ with a vibrant and contagious faith, able to communicate the gospel publically and privately in a way that draws people to Christ.</p> <p>A pastor with a heart full of compassion, empathy, wisdom, understanding, and Christ-like love.</p> <p>A leader whose passionate zeal, Spirit-based energy, intellectual curiosity, vitality and enthusiasm are evident to all, and who is approachable and a good listener with an ability to win hearts as well as arguments.</p>	<p>Personal</p> <p>Liam's personal testimony is one of God reaching into the heart of a young man at an early age and calling him to saving faith in Christ. From a young age, he possessed an intense desire to preach the gospel, which he has done faithfully for more than thirty years.</p> <p>Liam's pastoral gifts are evident in his decade-long fruitful ministry at Duke Street Church. Liam's publications and wider ministry demonstrate an enthusiasm for learning and for speaking the truth of the Gospel to a wide demographic.</p>
<p>Theological</p> <p>Trinitarian, Christocentric, with an unwavering commitment to the authority and inerrancy of the Scriptures as originally given in the Old and New Testaments as the only infallible rule of faith and practice.</p> <p>Knowledgeable in Biblical Studies, Church History and Systematic Theology with an astuteness and ability to engage the issues of the day, upholding the centrality of the Word in the worship and the life of the church. Reformed in theology, subscribing to the Westminster Standards and academically credentialed in a manner consistent with the theological standards required by the denomination</p>	<p>Theological</p> <p>Liam's commitment to these foundational truths of the faith is evident in his sermons, published articles and books, and in his answers to our questions. The ease with which Liam draws upon his knowledge of Church History and Systematic Theology in particular reveals a lifetime of Christian scholarship. Under Liam's leadership at Duke Street, the church enjoyed steady movement toward a more Reformed faith and practice. Duke Street now adopts the Westminster Confession of Faith as their primary subordinate standard. Liam's academic preparation culminated in a Doctor of Ministry from RTS in Jackson, Mississippi.</p>
<p>Ministerial</p> <p>Powerfully preaches clear, scripturally-based, expositional, well-reasoned sermons which have "run through his own soul" and are delivered with the proper authority and dignity, showing reverence for the Word of God; prepared to preach two to three times per week.</p> <p>Pastorally and wisely applies God's truths within the urban context. Champions Tenth's mission as "A Fellowship of Kingdom-Minded Disciples, Reaching Center City, Evangelizing Greater Philadelphia, Multiplying Gospel Ministry to the World."</p>	<p>Ministerial</p> <p>Liam's passion is preaching. He has honed his preaching gifts over the course of thirty years. Additionally, Liam has preached on several occasions at Tenth, and those who have heard him know the value of his preaching.</p> <p>Liam's tenure at Duke Street, London, has provided him with extensive experience ministering in a world class city among people from a very wide demographic.</p> <p>Tenth's mission could easily describe the very sort of mission that Liam has established at Duke Street.</p>

Letter of Reference Excerpts

“Liam Goligher is a clear and faithful Bible teacher with a heart for evangelism and a gift for connecting with people both inside and outside the church. I enjoy his preaching, respect his intellect, love his passion for the city, and feel a deep sense of kinship with his understanding of the role of the pastor as a shepherd and teacher. I feel confident that God can use his ministry to grow Tenth Church, reach Philadelphia, and advance gospel work around the world.”

Dr. Philip G. Ryken, President, Wheaton College; former Senior Minister, Tenth Presbyterian Church

“Without question Liam is an outstanding minister of the gospel, both as preacher and pastor, and has become a dear friend to many of us in the church. We would all as a congregation be very sad indeed to lose him and Christine, but I recognize, of course, that sometimes a call has to be tested and God’s will must be done. If you were to take matters forward with him in respect of a preaching and pastoral role, I would commend Liam and Christine to you absolutely wholeheartedly and without any reservation whatsoever.”

Richard Linnell, Chairman, Leadership Group (i.e., Clerk of Session), Duke Street Church

“I have known Liam for over ten years. We have been involved together in quite a number of conferences as well as committees and initiatives in the London area. More than that, we have become very good friends in the course of that time. His gifts and qualities have been recognized over the years, not just in the service he has given to all the churches he has served, but also in the wider ministry he has exercised. He has a very precious ability to preach the Word into the world of our day that connects across the generations.”

Mark G. Johnston, Senior Minister, Proclamation Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr, PA

“I have known Liam for some 20 years. I have received much from Liam over the years—his teaching ministry is exemplary, and he works assiduously to maintain his “currentness” as a preacher but also his roots in Reformed theology. I have also experienced Liam’s pastoral ministry at a very deep level when I faced a considerable dark time in my life. He was, quite simply, outstanding.”

Dr. John Gibson, personal friend

Find Out More about Dr. William Goligher

Duke Street Church Website: <http://www.dukestreetchurch.co.uk/welcome.htm>

Dr. Goligher’s Sermons are available online at:

<http://www.sermonaudio.com/search.asp?SpeakerOnly=true&currSection=sermonsspeaker&Keyword=Dr.%5eWilliam%5eW.%5eGoligher>

Answers to “Ten Questions for Expositors”:

<http://unashamedworkman.wordpress.com/2007/04/25/ten-questions-for-expositors-goligher/>

Publications: *The Jesus Gospel*, (Milton Keynes, 2006, Paternoster)

See <http://www.e-n.org.uk/3475-The-Jesus-Gospel.htm> for an edited extract

See Phil Ryken’s comments: <http://www.reformation21.org/blog/2008/05/the-jesus-gospel.php>

Reformation21 blog contributor: <http://72.47.212.95/blog/liam-goligher/>

4. What Happens Next: Schedule of Events Leading to a Sermon of Call

The Pastoral Selection Committee and Session of Tenth Presbyterian Church want to afford every opportunity for the congregation to interact with Liam prior to the congregation meeting on January 9. Below is a schedule of events that are open to the congregation. Each of these will feature an opportunity for Q&A with Liam Goligher as well as an informal time of “meet and greet.”

Date and Time	Activity	Location
Tuesday, January 4 7:30 pm	Parish 3, 4 & 5 Q&A and “Meet and Greet”	Lansdowne Bible Chapel 133 North Wycombe Avenue Lansdowne, PA
Wednesday, January 5 7:30 pm	Parish 1 & 2 Q&A and “Meet and Greet”	Tenth Presbyterian Church Sanctuary and Live webcast on www.tenth.org
Thursday, January 6 7:30 pm	Parish 6 Q&A and “Meet and Greet”	Covenant Presbyterian Church 520 Kings Highway South Cherry Hill, NJ
Saturday, January 8 12:00 pm	Congregation Luncheon, Q&A and “Meet and Greet”	Tenth Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall
Sunday, January 9 9 am and 11 am	Sermon of Call	Tenth Presbyterian Church Sanctuary
Sunday, January 9 12:40 pm	Congregation Meeting	Tenth Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

Call 215.735.7688 and speak with Nancy Hala at the church if you have any specific questions.

5. A Call to Congregational Prayer

The congregation is invited to make special efforts to pray for Dr. and Mrs. Liam Goligher as they visit the week of January 2–9, 2011. Remember the following as you pray individually and/or as a family and groups.

- Pray for the safe travels of Dr. and Mrs. Goligher to and from London on January 3 (Liam), 6 (Christine), and 9 (both). Pray for the energy, stamina, and good health Liam in particular will need during this busy, activity-filled week.
- Pray for good and informative sessions as parishes meet to hear Dr. Goligher address questions about the nature of the Lord’s leading in his life and the possibilities for ministry in Philadelphia.
- Pray for our Pastoral and Administrative Staff times with Dr. and Mrs. Goligher.
- Pray for Mrs. Goligher as she meets with the Women’s Fellowship in Havertown that she begins to see how women in the church are ministering and where she may also find a ministry opportunity.
- Pray for the elders, deacons, and deaconesses of the church as they hold their retreat the weekend of January 7 and 8. Dr. Goligher will also attend these sessions. Pray for a good interchange of ideas about ministering in the city.
- Dr. Goligher will be meeting with representatives from some ministries of the church (for example, music, Global Outreach, Maranatha, etc). Pray for these exchanges of ideas and the times of fellowship.
- Pray for the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst to confirm what he is doing at Tenth and where he desires us to move forward.
- Pray for the meeting of the congregation on January 9, that God will use this in the life of the congregation to assure us of his blessing and direction for Tenth.
- Praise the Lord that he is faithful to this congregation.