Tom Avey

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Subject: Cooperating Organization Status

Attachments: Board of Directors Listing January 1 2006.doc

MEMORANDUM

To: Tom Avey and Fellowship Council From: Larry N. Chamberlain, President

Grace Brethren Investment Foundation, Inc.

Re: Cooperating Organization Status

Date: November 9, 2005

Greetings, Tom and FGBC Colleagues . . .

During my recent meeting with you and the FGBC membership committee, it was suggested that it would be appropriate for Grace Brethren Investment Foundation, Inc. to seek continuance of its cooperating organization status with the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, independent of our relationship with Grace Brethren North American Missions, since GBIF now has its own independent governing board.

At our board's recent meeting in Secaucus, NJ, it was affirmed formally by our directors that we wish to continue and re-affirm our status as a cooperating organization within the FGBC, meeting all of the requirements for a "national ministry," which I believe is the new description for this status. Therefore, we request that the Fellowship Council consider this memo as our formal request for affirmation on the part of the Council.

Attached is a listing of our directors, following the ballot to go out next month. Notice that the regional classifications are provided for each director and a summary of same provided at the bottom of the listing. Our directors are elected nationally by persons who are affiliated with a member church of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches and who contribute at least \$25 per annum to the ministries of Grace Brethren North American Missions.

I was pleased to hear that Ice Miller has provided you with some helpful information regarding legal issues on the matter of cooperating organization status.

Please let me know if I can provide you with any further information. I look forward to hearing from you in this regard, perhaps following your meeting in January 2006.

Your ministry is admired and appreciated, Tom. We are pleased to play a strategic, participative role in the growth and development of the member churches of the FGBC.

God bless you all . . .

Respectfully, with appreciation,

GRACE BRETHREN INVESTMENT FOUNDATION, INC. Board of Directors – Projected

January 1, 2006

Name	Term Ending	Region/Status	Comments
1. Ben Collins	12/31/06	C/M	Replaced Schumacher
2. Rick Stair	12/31/06	C/L	
3. David Coleman	12/31/06	C/L	
4. Jim Treichel	12/31/06	W/L	
5. Ted Adomanis	12/31/06	E/L	
6. Robert MacMillan	12/31/07	W/M	Replaced Lazer
7. Jerry Young**	12/31/07	W/M	Replaced Fetterhoff
8. Galen Moomaw	12/31/07	C/L	
9. Jerry Michael	12/31/07	E/L	
10. Josh Balmer	12/31/07	E/L	
11. Kent Semple*	12/31/08	C/L	
12. Jim Poyner*	12/31/08	E/M	Replaced Hill
13. Dennis Patrick*	12/31/08	E/L	
14. Ralph Hampton*	12/31/08	W/L	

^{*}To be elected by corporation membership via ballot in December 2005

FGBC Region Summary: E-5, C-5, W-4

Status: Lay-10, Ministerial-4

^{**}To be appointed by board via ballot in November 2005