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Dear Friends of Good News Theological Seminary,

The search for new Governing Council Members took more than two years for the process to partially come to an end on 1st August 2018 when eleven people were inducted into office by Rev. Prof. Gilbert Ansere, an Octogenarian who has been a friend of the seminary for the past 47 years. Rev. Ansere charged the members to translate their vision for the seminary into pragmatic actions.

The new Governing Council is chaired by the Most Rev. Dr. Daniel Okoh, the International Chairman of the Organization of African Instituted Churches (OAIC) and the General Superintendent of Christ Holy Church, an African Independent Church that has congregations in Nigeria, Republic of Benin, Republic of Togo, Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire, Liberia, Kenya, Tanzania and Burundi.

Other members of the Council are, Bishop Thomas Agyare, the head bishop of Risen Christ Church; Elder Joseph Kofi of Amazing Full Gospel Evangelistic Church, Rev. Simon Bludo of Christ Foundation Ministry, Bishop Sylvester Borkumah of Peaceful Healing Church, Rev. Ezekiel Nartey, the Vice President of the seminary and a representative of The Church of Melchizedek, Rev. Barimah Kwaku Appah who represents the Alumni Association and Rev. Prof. Thomas Oduro, the President of the Seminary who acts as the Secretary till a substantive one is chosen.

Three other ex-officio members of the Council are Professor Akwasi Twumasi (an Accountant), Rev. Eric Anum (a theological educator) and Charles Bentum, Esq., a Lawyer. Five of the members are alums of the seminary.

The Governing Council's immediate tasks are: (1) to get the Seminary reaccredited by the National Accreditation Board. That includes securing a bond of Three hundred thousand Ghana Cedis (GHS 300,000.00) equivalent to Sixty-Nine thousand, seven hundred and sixty-seven US Dollars (\$69,767.00); (2) to end the student intake drought that has been the norm for some years, (3) to look for Ten more owners of the seminary who would also become Governing Council members and (4) to plan towards a self-sustaining seminary. The Council had her first meeting on 11 September 2018.

(Dr. Thomas Oduro)