

Senate Resolution 908

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Love Fellowship of Churches; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Love Fellowship of Churches began under the leadership of Bishop-Elect
3 A. Jamie Croone with four pastors in October 2013. It has now grown to include six
4 churches and six pastors. The Love Fellowship of Churches began with the idea of creating
5 a safe place, specifically for pastors and church leaders, to create authentic relationships and
6 fellowship as well as needed accountability according to Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12, which states
7 that "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they
8 fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls, for he has
9 no one to help him up. Again, if two lie down together, they will keep warm; but how can
10 one be warm alone? Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him.
11 And a threefold cord is not quickly broken"; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Love Fellowship of Churches offers support, shared resources, and authentic
13 connections within the organization as well as the community at large. It is a place of
14 sharing and creating a biblical community, also known as Koinonia. Koinonia is not only
15 about true community but also covenant partners in life and the spread of the Gospel of Jesus
16 Christ; and
- 17 WHEREAS, as the Love Fellowship of Churches has grown, it has had the opportunity to
18 provide quarterly gatherings to be enriched and grow through "The Shepherds Heart." This
19 meeting provides a place to expand and grow as a pastor in understanding as well as empathy
20 for one another; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the Fellowship has also shared resources by providing and personally delivering
22 10,000 bottles of water to New Light Church in Dallas, Texas, under the leadership of Bishop
23 I.V. Hilliard in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey in 2017; and

24 WHEREAS, most recently, the Love Fellowship of Churches had the opportunity to support
25 upcoming high school graduates in its pursuit of higher education via the Martin Luther King
26 Jr. Scholarship through The Hambrick Foundation; and

27 WHEREAS, this group of believers provides support within their own community but also
28 in the community of faith.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize and commend the Love Fellowship of Churches and extend sincere best wishes
31 for continued success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Love
34 Fellowship of Churches.