To: Great Lakes- Gulf Presbytery, c/o AIC Christ's Church Session,

From: Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church, session

Dear Brothers,

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ,

It has come to the attention of the Marion RP session that the seminary paper that reviewed Dr. Lefebvre's book "The Liturgy of Creation" and his article "Adam Reigns in Eden: Genesis and Origins of Kingship" are not going to be disseminated to the presbytery before our March meeting time.

We want to inform the presbytery that our session has encountered problems within our congregation because of these writings. As many of you know, we have a member of our church who has formally endorsed Dr. Lefebvre's book "The Liturgy of Creation." This endorsement has caused several members of Marion RP congregation to contact the pastor with concerns about this member's support for Dr. Lefebvre's book. The pastor has been able to alleviate some member's fears by giving them the reassurance that our seminary was going to write a paper to help those who might be confused by the writings of Dr. Lefebvre. Our session is currently conducting a study of Dr. Lefebvre's writings so that we can charitably interact with them. However, our session would like to strongly appeal to our brothers in the presbytery that the Marion congregation has felt and will feel the ripple effect of these upcoming presbytery proceedings. We are asking for help, and for us, that means being able to use what our seminary has produced as a *resource* as we seek to shepherd our congregation through this problem. We believe that one of the roles the seminary provides is help in these types of situations. RPTS employ's our denomination's theologians, and it would be helpful to know their perspective on these writings.

Again, the Marion session believes that having the seminary paper will help our congregation navigate this issue within our church peacefully and respectfully. The seminary paper will also help us shepherd our people and bring reassurance to those who have been upset by Dr. Lefebvre's writings.

Lastly, our session would like time to go over the seminary's paper as a session in light of the deliberation expected in our presbytery meeting this year.

We are formally asking the AIC to request the paper on Dr. Lefebvre's writings from RPTS and have it sent to each session in our presbytery for their review before our spring meeting in March 2020.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church's session.

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Jason Camery, moderator