

**Policy of the Council of Elders
New Life Christian Community**

**Council of Elders-Pastor Linkage
Accountability of the Senior Pastor**

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Statement of Provision

The Senior Pastor is the Council of Elders' link to operational achievement and conduct, so that all authority and accountability of paid and volunteer Staff and/or Deacons, as far as the Council of Elders is concerned, is considered the authority and accountability of the Senior Pastor.

Accordingly:

1. The Council of Elders will never give instructions related to the responsibility of persons who report directly or indirectly to the senior pastor.
2. The Council of Elders will not formally evaluate the performance of any paid or volunteer staff. The Council of Elders' evaluation of the Pastor(s) for ordination will not be considered to be an evaluation of performance.