**Praying for our new Oblast Presbyter**

Let us begin by praying for our New Oblast presbyter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as the Bible instructs us to do.

*1Ti 2:1  The apostle Paul exhorts, that, first of all, supplications, prayers,* ***intercessions****, and giving of thanks, be made for . . . for presidents/governors, Mayors and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.*

*1Ti 2:3  For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior;*

*1Ti 2:4  Who will have all MEN to be* ***saved****, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.*

*1Ti 2:5  For there is one God, and one mediator between God and MEN, the man Christ Jesus;*

*1Ti 2:6  Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.*

*1Ti 2:8  I will therefore that BROTHERS pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.*

In this passage we note that presbyters and others in authority have great influence concerning the salvation of their citizens. Paul links intercession and the salvation of MEN

Let us uphold/build a standard for our presbyter candidates

(*This is an adaptation and personalization; it is not a translation but an application*.)

Psa 101:1  My prayer is about loyalty and justice, and I pray it to you, O LORD.

Psa 101:2  May his conduct will be faultless.

When will you come to him?

May he want to live a pure life in his house

Psa 101:3  May he never tolerate evil.

May he hate the actions of those who turn away from God;

May he have nothing to do with them.

Psa 101:4  May he not be dishonest and have no dealings with evil.

Psa 101:5  May he get rid of anyone who whispers evil things about someone else;

May he not tolerate anyone who is proud and arrogant.

Psa 101:6  May he approve of those who are faithful to God and let them live/*serve* in his palace.

May only those who are completely honest be allowed to serve him.

Psa 101:7  May he not allow a liar to live in his palace; no hypocrite to remain in his presence.

Psa 101:8  May he day after day destroy the wicked in our land;

May he expel all who are evil from the city of the LORD.

Honor your children with a God respecting Oblast presbyter.

DO WE HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS OR DISCUSSION?