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Legal Update: March 9th, 2016

This morning, at approximately 11:00 AM, our case was heard in the 5th District Court of Appeals. We were the third case on the docket and we had about 30 people gathered in prayerful support for the Anglican Diocese of San Joaquin. Bishop Rice, the provisional bishop for the TEC diocese, was there, and he and I greeted one another and exchanged pleasantries.

The three judges: Levy, Franson, and Peña were seated calling the court into session. Rusty VanRozeboom gave a robust defense of the case and was asked questions from the bench. Rusty answered these questions eloquently and plainly. I am so very grateful the Lord has provided such fine lawyers as Rusty VanRozeboom and Allen Haley as our defenders and advocates.

The court has 90 days to make their decision, so we should know the results on or before June 9th. In the meantime, please continue to pray for God's favor upon us in this case.

“Almighty and ever living God. We come before you bidding your favor in our battle to remain faithful to you and your commandments. We pray you will guide the hearts and minds of the judges as they review the facts of this case and make their ruling. Ultimately, Father, we join with your son, our savior, Jesus Christ and simply pray, ‘Thy Will be done!’ All this we ask in the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.”