

RE: 10.10.2022 MX Elder Mtg - notes

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Hi Guys,

Sorry you're catching so much heat on youth minister decision. It's feeling a whole lot like when we merged the 2 congregations. I have to keep telling myself that God is in control.

Although my health has been improving steadily, I think it's time to step down as an elder. I know there are a lot more hard decisions on the horizon, and I just feel I can't subject myself to the pressure.

It's been my honor and pleasure to serve with you all, and I pray God will continue to lead you in His paths. I prefer no recognition as a retiring elder, and I'm positive Ann concurs. I intend to keep teaching my kids bible class and serving with the praise team as long as I'm able.

Blessings,

Steve

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Gents,

Attached are my notes from our meeting yesterday. As always, lots to pray about.

Next mtg. will be Monday, October 17 @ 6:00pm

A couple important things about this Sunday, October 16:

- “*ordination/commissioning*” of Nathan Strickland
- Hamm recognition and farewell blessing

--- Bret