

August 16, 2021

Dear Church Family,

For nearly three decades (27 years), it has been my privilege and great honor to serve as your pastor. Rhonda and I love Faith Baptist Church and we have been so blessed by our wonderful church family. You have prayed for us, followed our leadership, and loved us through this amazing journey together and we are deeply grateful.

This past Sunday, I announced a transition that the Lord is leading us toward in our lives and ministry. For several years, I have enjoyed serving as a volunteer with our Tennessee Baptist Convention helping and assisting pastors and churches. This has always been a passion of my heart. Recently, Dr. Randy Davis, Executive Director of the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBMB) approached me with a new position being made available for me to consider. After much prayer and seeking the Lord's direction, we have sensed this is God's call for us in the next season of ministry.

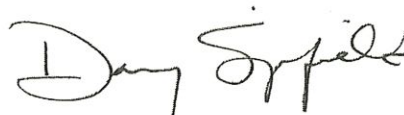
I have accepted the position as the Harvest Field Team Leader for West Tennessee. This role will allow me to provide coaching, training, and encouragement to over 500 pastors and churches in our area. Many of these churches are small and struggling and more than half of the pastors are bi-vocational. This is a "Barnabas" type of ministry that simply seems perfect for us at this stage of our lives. My new full-time role with the TBMB will begin January 1, 2022.

Rhonda and I plan to stay in Bartlett and we would love to keep our membership at Faith and support the new pastor. I will also be available to serve the church in any way that will be helpful in the days ahead. We have a lifetime of friends at Faith and Rhonda loves teaching her 5th grade Connection Class. I want to always be available to serve and minister to our friends in a healthy way moving forward. We have no plans to pastor any other church – we are your missionaries being sent out to serve in the harvest field of West Tennessee and beyond!

Thank you for your prayers for us and for the unity of Faith Baptist Church as we begin these four months of transition. Our church is in a very healthy place in every regard. Our staff team is absolutely the best. We have an excellent process for selecting the next Senior Pastor and we will trust and follow that process together as a church family. You will be hearing more from our Church Leadership about the next steps in the coming weeks and months.

Rhonda and I love you and we are grateful for this wonderful journey that the Lord has allowed us to share together. The "Faith Story" is still being written and I am looking forward to the exciting future ahead!

Blessings & Much Love,



Danny Siquefield, Pastor