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Subject: Re: Another appeal

Date: November 18, 2019 at 9:19 PM

To: The Elders of Harvest Bible Chapel Chicago <elders@harvestbiblechapel.org>

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Dear Brothers:

Thank you for your response to me, truly an answer to prayer. I will gladly meet Wednesday evening 7-9p.m. at the place of your choosing, for work of repentance in my heart as requested. I desire to bring some clarity to financial conclusions we have been excluded from thus far. I am adjusted in a way that is clearly led by the Holy Spirit and helpful to the congregation at Harvest. Praying the Lord would give us all ears to hear.

Until we meet,

JM

On Nov 18, 2019, at 5:17 PM, The Elders of Harvest Bible Chapel Chicago <elders@harvestbiblechapel.org> wrote:

Dear James,

Following up on our email we sent you previously indicating we would provide times to meet and based on your sudden urgency with you this Wednesday night from 7 - 9pm. All nine elders will be there along with Pastor Greg Bradshaw. Feel free to join in and reconciliation efforts.

We are working to find a place to meet that isn't at one of the campuses, which we feel would be best for everyone. If you can let us know your location shortly.

We welcome the chance to hear your heart of repentance and to start the process of reconciliation.

In Christ,
The Elders of Harvest Bible Chapel

From: James MacDonald <jsm@jamesmacdonaldministries.org>

Sent: Sunday, November 17, 2019 4:15 PM

To: The Elders of Harvest Bible Chapel Chicago <elders@harvestbiblechapel.org>

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To the men of Elder status at Harvest Bible Chapel:

I continue waiting for the promised opportunity to meet. We have silkened the weight of false accusations, believing since May 1 that this new board would adopt a more impartial approach to overseeing what pertains to you.

We have remained silent through spring/summer/fall and many troubled actions, believing that a meeting would soon happen and a better resolution of truth and error would result.

I own my sin and fallings as well as I can under your mandate that I have no communication with me. Submission to false condemnation is the fruit of repentance, brothers. This Tuesday (11/19) will be two weeks since I wrote, yet again, requesting the meeting you promised in your public condemnation of my character on November 2-3. Your response prior to that date to meet was more than a week ago yet still nothing is scheduled.

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My letter mentioned no change of date in the arbitration process, I would like to move back to mediation. 'Truth before reconciliation' is the only way to reconciliation, which we still desire. I am available, you guys are not meeting regularly – still, you offer no date?

Since February 2018, multiple staff and elders have assured me that a meeting would happen prior to any public announcement of financial investigation results. Yet you have now announced a Thursday, November 21st prior to the start of your financial review. Many Harvest members are praying, even 24 hours a day, that you will break the cycle of partiality and public announcement that ever widens the gap between us, and meet with me as promised.

If you will not, why not wait for the objective arbitration results – determine if the church bylaws as the path to conflict resolution. Please do not put me in a difficult position of possibly needing to refute errors that could have been avoided if the promised meeting had happened.

I am prayerfully awaiting a chance to talk face to face with a Harvest board, for the very first time in 2019 – prior to Thursday November 21st. There is still potential benefit to the people you shepherd. All truth will be brought to light in arbitration... why make an announcement having never met with me that I must refute and arbitration will resolve? Why?

A meeting is long overdue, brothers. The time is short. Anytime, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday this week, anywhere – we have waited so long.

Prayerfully,

JM