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Dear Members of *[CURRENT CONGREGATION]*,

Whenever I am blessed to deliberate calls, a portion of Paul’s letter to the Philippians always comes to mind, “*I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel.*” Over the past few weeks, I’ve seen that partnership again as I learned about *[CALLING CONGREGATION]*. It is clear to me that Holy Spirit is active among these brothers and sisters in Christ as they partner with each other to share the gospel.

That same truth is clear here, too. The Holy Spirit is working through the ministry of this congregation. It is a blessing to be a part of it.

After prayer and much thought, I have decided to return the call and continue to serve here at *[CURRENT CONGREGATION]*. I believe God has blessed *[CALLING CONGREGATION]* with leaders who are guiding them well. I trust that the Lord will bless them in their vacancy and that the next pastor to serve with them will be blessed.

Continue to pray for their ministry as they go through the next phase of the calling process. May we continue serving our Lord faithfully.

In service to Christ our Savior,

Name

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