

COLLEGESIDE A Family of Christians Growing Together.

August 14, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Jerrie W. Barber, Interim Minister

We highly recommend Jerrie Barber as an interim minister. Jerrie brought a wealth of practical wisdom to Collegeside at a time when we really needed it. He is an exceptionally gifted minister with a true passion for the interim process.

Jerrie's sermons were geared to help our congregation heal and refocus. He had an uncanny way of taking difficult concepts and breaking them down into simple steps with easy to remember bullet points or "mustard seeds" as he calls them. He led classes for the current leaders and classes to help us develop future leaders. He was instrumental in helping our congregation develop a plan to find a new minister while always encouraging and equipping us to take ownership of the process. He revived the other staff members and helped them become a more harmonious unit. He also helped revolutionize the way we value and practice personal recognition within our church

One of Jerrie's greatest assets is his wife, Gail, who quietly rolled up her sleeves and taught by serving in whatever ways she could. Jerrie and Gail were quick to learn our congregation and served in all the capacities of any regular pulpit minister. They visited and had people over to their house. They sat in the hospital waiting room during surgery and comforted those who had a loss. They laughed with those who laughed and cried with those who cried.

Jerrie and Gail will be missed at Collegeside. Our church family is healthier and more unified than we have been in a long time, and God working through Jerrie and his wife Gail is a big reason why.

If you need any further information, you may contact any of the elders listed below.

In Him.

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