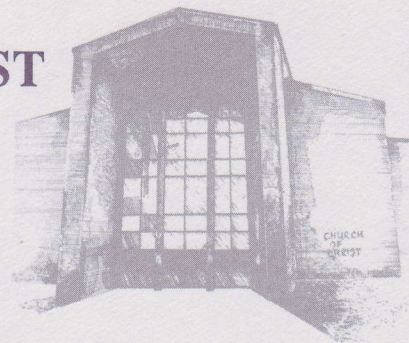


# HENDERSONVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST



December 31, 2009

Dear Church Leaders:

When we began the usual process of replacing our pulpit minister of 16 years we were asked by a consultant if we had considered using an intentional interim preacher. After some initial research we decided to pursue the idea further. Since the concept was new to all of us, we decided that not only did we need an interim pulpit minister; we also needed the guidance of a consultant who had been trained in minister transition. It soon became apparent that if we could find a person who could fill both of these roles that would be the ideal situation. However, we also realized that would take a very unique person, and that in itself might be as hard to find as our new pulpit minister.

Once we heard about Jerrie Barber and met with him, asking him to work with our congregation turned out to be one of the easiest and best decisions we made. Jerrie's unique training, abilities, and interest proved to be invaluable to our congregation. Jerrie served during the full year of 2009 as our interim pulpit minister and, beginning the last quarter of 2008, as transition consultant to the eldership. Not only did he deliver relevant, Bible-based sermons, he taught classes, visited the hospitals and funeral homes, and labored diligently ministering to the needs of our members. His wife, Gail, has also been a complement to Jerrie's ministry, teaching and assisting with our deaf ministry. They have both been actively involved members of our church family, and we have grown to love and appreciate them.

Without a doubt we know that God not only has led us to our new Pulpit Minister, looking back we know that he also led us to Jerrie Barber. As elders of the Hendersonville Church of Christ, we would recommend any church that is looking to replace a minister that has been with you for a considerable length of time to contact Jerrie and seriously consider using him to bless your congregation as he has ours.

In Christ,

The Elders

Craig Callis

John Kester

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Rick Fussell

Don Litchford

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