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To Whom It May Concern:

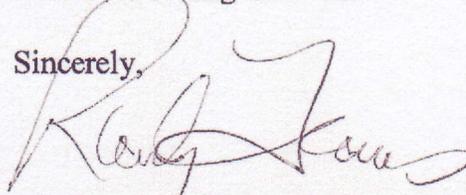
The purpose of this letter is to recommend Jerrie Barber for the position of Interim Minister. Jerrie has been planning for several years to offer his services in this capacity upon his retirement from Berry's Chapel Church of Christ in Nashville, Tennessee. He has planned this ministry with much thought and is positioned to provide a valuable service to congregations making a change in pulpit personnel.

My primary acquaintance with Jerrie has been as a participant in many of the Leadership Dynamics Workshops that he and his colleagues have directed. In these workshops I have had the opportunity to hear Jerrie teach/preach Biblical concepts of growth and communication, and observe and participate in sessions in which Biblical rules of communication are practiced often times in the midst of tension and conflict. Jerrie is a superb Bible teacher and is a gifted communicator of concepts and principles. He is adept in moderating conflict resolution and is well schooled in all of the psychological dynamics of group conflict not only in churches but also in families and marriages.

While I have never been a member of a congregation where Jerrie was currently serving as the preaching minister, I have had the pleasure of hearing him preach about ten times since making his acquaintance. I can say confidently that I have been challenged every single time. I have many acquaintances that have worked under his leadership when he was the pulpit preacher of their church. Without exception these folks will tell you that he was one of the best and most effective preachers they have ever had the opportunity to work with.

If I could succinctly describe Jerrie, it would be to say that he is a disciplined worker who is personally committed to "growing as a disciple of Jesus" every minute of every day. One doesn't have to be in his presence long to see evidence of this, and how he calls those in association with him to do the same. I can say unreservedly that he will be a tremendous influence for Jesus Christ in whatever setting he works.

Sincerely,



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