



July 23, 2013

Re: Jerrie Barber

Dear Christian Brethren,

Our congregation has just completed a two-year healing period with Jerrie Barber. It has also been a time of growth and understanding. After a period of seemingly hopelessness, Jerrie gave us introspect into our past and helped us to see where we could go in the future. He preached solid lessons of God's faithfulness in every situation of life.

It was not an easy transition. Jerrie employed sermons, meetings, interviews and teams to work through our issues. Many hours were spent together as we searched for meaning. During this time, he planted many "mustard seeds" in our hearts and minds. (If you don't know what that means, he'll teach you!) Jerrie provided us with the tools to make us grow into a stronger congregation.

In his time with LaVergne, Jerrie facilitated the processes as we appointed a new elder, deacons and hired our new minister. Our congregation is excited about the future. Through many prayers and tears, we have come out stronger on the other side.


Jerrie and Gail became vital members of our church family. They taught in classrooms as well as helped to clean up after fellowship meals. They both taught through example as well as by scripture. They are both energetic in their service to our Lord. They made their home in our community and let people know they were here to minister to and with the LaVergne congregation.

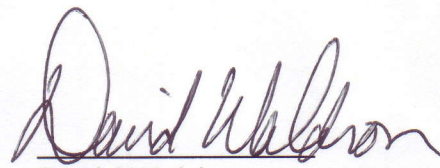
If your congregation is hurting, for whatever reason, we highly recommend Jerrie Barber. Because of our experiences, we are available to talk to you about our time with him. If more brethren would communicate when they have unpleasantness, perhaps much of it could be avoided.

With Christian Love,

LaVergne church of Christ Elders


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