

February 18, 2009

Mr. xxxxxxxxxx:

By this communication we are acknowledging the receipt of your request to attend the Deacon's Meeting scheduled for February 23, 2008 at 6:30pm in the church dining room. It has always been our purpose throughout this process to first and foremost effect reconciliation between you and the Church.

However, as this will be a meeting to discuss the discipline of an active member, we regret to inform you that your wife will not be allowed to attend the meeting. Since she is no longer a member of this church, she is scripturally not subject to discipline by the church body, and therefore, is not a party to the proceedings.

You will be allotted the 15 minutes requested in your email, but we cannot guarantee that it will be uninterrupted. Frankly, that will depend on you. Your presentation will be limited to rebutting the accusations being brought against you, namely:

1. That you are the owner/administrator of a blog under the title "FBC Watchdog;" and
2. That the content of the above-referenced blog is wantonly sinful and of the type outlined in I Cor. 5 and is, therefore, subject to church discipline.

Your allotted time will not be for the further dissemination of the accusations outlined in the blog site. It will not be a time for you to attack the Pastor, staff or leadership of the Church. If you abuse the time allocated to you, the Chairman of the Deacons will exercise his authority as the moderator of the meeting and terminate your response time. As long as you limit your presentation to the points outlined above, you will have your uninterrupted time as requested, after which you be required to leave the meeting. You will be informed in writing as to the decision of the deacons in this matter.

Once again, we are praying that this time is one of restoration and reconciliation. However, we have a scriptural obligation to remove sin that is derisive and divisive from the Church body.

Sincerely,

Keith Hill, Chairman of Deacons, Trustee
David Kay, Vice-Chairman of Deacons
Jerry Ward, Chairman, Church Discipline Committee
Bob Harrison, Church Discipline Committee Member, Trustee
Jerrett McConnell, Church Discipline Committee Member, Trustee
AC Soud Jr., Church Discipline Committee Member, President of First Baptist Church, Trustee