

June 29, 2017

Dear Greg,

The Session of _____, PCA grants your request to be removed from our membership roll as of Thursday, June 29, 2017. This is in accordance with BCO 38-4, for members who have no intention of fulfilling their membership vows. This is without disciplinary process. However, we wish to strongly warn you about the danger of removing yourself from the visible church indefinitely. Please make every effort to join another Christ-centered body of believers as soon as possible.

As far as you feel that _____ and _____ have failed you in our pastoral oversight during the past year, we can only apologize. That was never our intent, and whether we were right or wrong in our approach, you have voiced that you feel like we let you down. We apologize sincerely. We hope that in the future, you find pastoral oversight that is more faithful and helpful to you. Our hope was to provide you faithful advice and counsel, and so we are sorry that we failed in helping you through the difficulties you've encountered. Please forgive us.

Our prayer is that you and your family find a church where the Word of God is believed, preached, and taught – a church where Christ is honored and lifted up. If we can help you as you search, please let us know.

Also, we have removed your children from our membership roll, also according to BCO 38-4. They have not been in attendance for over a year now, and according to what you have said, they have no intention of being involved. If you have questions about this, please let me know.

We also wish to express our concerns to you about your theological objections to the PCA and our church. We will not get into a back and forth with you about these views; we aren't interested in a debate. Some of the views you presented in your email seem to be out of accord with sound doctrine and scripture, particularly concerning race and ethnicity. We urge you to reexamine your positions in light of the teaching of scripture in its grammatical and historical context. It seems that your view of scripture is too strongly influenced by your impassioned views on American history instead of the other way around. If we understand your views correctly, then we believe you are on dangerous ground and we encourage you to repent. May the Lord lead you to repentance in His kindness.

With Sobriety,

The Session of _____, PCA