

Workers Letter to Montana Elder and Wife

Dear [redacted] and [redacted],

July 3, 2024

Thank you for your clarification. There isn't much to say except our hearts are deeply saddened by your decision to not have anything to do with God's established ministry. We would like you to know we have appreciated your open home and hospitality to the church through the years. Your help and care toward the elderly folk has been valued too. You said you did not feel moved to make this public. After much prayer and consideration and consulting Doyle and Tom, we feel it is only right & fair for each in your meeting to know about your decision. Therefore, we will send out an email for each in your meeting, notifying them of your stand, and offer the choice to remain in your meeting or move to one that is under the purview of the ministry. This effectively gives each the opportunity to declare whether they believe in a God-established ministry or not. We will include all the other elders in this communication, as it could affect them too.

We do have a question for you, that someone brought up: Who appointed you as an elder and put a meeting in your home? Was it the ministry? The ministry was established from heaven even before the fellowship was, and it is something that we cannot change. We absolutely know there are individuals that horribly abused place and power in the ministry and in the fellowship, and have caused great harm. For that we are terribly sorry. We cannot remove the ministry nor fellowship that God established, but rather the individuals that commit horrible abuse. You cannot have the fellowship without the ministry. God will never lead two people in two different directions by his Holy Spirit.

We personally have been in contact with trauma therapists, lawyers, local and federal authorities, and are very aware of what is being done. We are glad for their guidance in going forward.

We will keep you in our hearts and prayers,
Doyle, Tom
Tammy, Heidi & Alexis