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To Our Christian Friends at Haymarket Baptist,

Over the past several months it has been apparent that there are two separate and distinct congregations worshipping at the Haymarket Baptist Church. As a result of this and other happenings concerning the resignation of Larry Lee as Pastor of the Church, a group of people have decided to move on and reactivate the Antioch Baptist Church.

This has caused some concern and questions among the membership and we want to answer as many questions as we can with this letter so that those who choose to come to the business meeting on July 17, will be informed about our plans.

The Antioch Baptist Church was formed before the Civil War and operated for many years in true Baptist tradition. During the 1960s, for various reasons, the membership felt that it would be in the best interest of the church and its members if they disbanded.

The result of this action was that on July 14, 1964, the membership of Antioch Baptist requested that the property known as the Antioch Baptist Church and any funds held by that Church should be placed in a virtual trust with the Haymarket Baptist Church until such time as the Antioch Baptist Church is reactivated. At that time, the Haymarket Baptist Church would transfer the said property back to the Antioch Church out of trust.

It states in the legal documentation of this transaction that the funds received from the Antioch Church will be carried in the budget of the Haymarket Church as a special item designated as Antioch Reserve and be used by the Haymarket Church for the repair and maintenance of the building, cemetery, etc. so located on the property transferred from the Antioch Church.

We the members of Haymarket Baptist who will be forming the new congregation at Antioch will be presenting a "Petition for Acceptance and Blessings" at the July 17 business meeting of Haymarket. This petition basically requests that the Haymarket Church grant their love, emotional support and encouragement as we form a new church family at Antioch Baptist Church, desiring to minister in our Lord's name in our community.

There are no financial strings being attached to this request except for the fact that the \$20,000+ in the Antioch Reserve Fund be transferred with the real property. The trust agreement from

Antioch to Haymarket states that the Antioch Reserve Fund be transferred back to Antioch Baptist Church when it is reopened as an active Church. The reduction in the real estate tax by reconstituting the Church, the interest from the money in the bank and the rent from the house on the property should cover any expenses that may come up for the cemetery. The lady who rents the house is responsible for repairs to the house in exchange for a very low monthly rent.

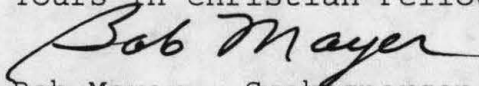
In the mean time, we are attempting to contact the former members of the Antioch Baptist Church or their surviving families and keep them informed of our plans. So far, the response has been positive.

The Potomac Baptist Association is fully supportive of this move and has provided us with sound guidance.

We will be prepared to answer any legal, health department or other questions or concerns that may come up at the July 17th meeting. If you have concerns or comments before this meeting, please feel free to give me a call. (754-4614)

We have a clear vision of our identity and the direction we are going with this endeavor. We feel that the Lord has blessed us with many talents and we are excited about the future at Antioch and Haymarket.

Yours in Christian Fellowship,



Bob Mayer, Spokesperson
Antioch Baptist Church
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July 18, 1996

Dear Friends:

At the regular business meeting of the Haymarket Baptist Church last night, those members of Haymarket who are going to continue to worship there voted unanimously to grant the newly forming Antioch congregation their blessing as we move towards reconstituting as a church. As we had planned, none of the Antioch people voted on this matter because we wanted the Haymarket family to make their own decision and to vote.

This is not a time of gloating and saying, "We won, YES!", but is a time of reflection and prayer as we face a real challenge that is ahead of us.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, July 22, 1996, 7:30pm, at the Evergreen Fire Department, 3510 James Madison Highway (Route 15).

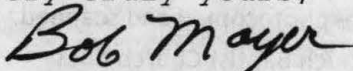
There are a number of items that will have to be taken care of at this meeting.

1. We need to vote to constitute as a church body
2. Re-elect Trustees
3. We need to determine our church organization (committees officers, etc.
4. Larry Lee to address our group and help with the healing process and to discuss his views, were we are all coming from and where we expect to go, with or without Larry as our pastor.
5. Set up a time for going to the Antioch Church and surveying the property to determine what must be done immediately, (cleaning, etc.) and the long term needs.
6. Discuss the calling of an interim pastor and then permanent pastor.
7. Any other business that may come up.

I am enclosing some more 3x5 cards for your use in giving the congregation ideas from which to start determining our course, ways you would like to worship (don't necessarily be committed to the old standard form of worship; there are many alternative ways that can be a challenge to us), music program, etc., etc.

I look forward to seeing you Monday. Because of the timing between today and Monday, we will try to call everyone and be sure they are reminded of the meeting.

Very truly yours,



Robert A. Mayer, Jr.
Spokesperson, Antioch Baptist Church

Date: January 30, 1997
From: Larry Lee
To: Building Committee Members

John Abbott	Charles Gardner
David Arnold	Mike Green
Chuck Currey	Cindy Latham
Lawrence Burke	Sue Pankey
Naomi Burke	Larry Wood

A Building Committee meeting date will be set after the following:

1. The deed to the property is finalized, which could be soon.
2. The Church has given it approval of you as its committee, which will be acted on at the next Business Meeting, also expected to be soon.

In the meantime, please consider the following:

1. Whether an architect will be used and if so, who
2. Who should survey the property
3. What are your thoughts on asking VDOT to renew the discussion regarding relocation of Waterfall Road to below the church. (See enclosed map and 1989 letter.)