

McLean Presbyterian Church
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To the Session of McLean Presbyterian Church:

With deep affection for you and our dear flock, I write to resign my position as Senior Pastor of McLean Presbyterian Church.

I have allowed my name to go before the congregation of Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, TN, for election as their next Senior Pastor. If approved, I have told them I will accept the position.

I hope to share more with you in person. For now, let me say that while the Lord has given me and Rosie clarity over this next step, we take it with profound heartache. I love our church. I pray I have loved her well but know without question that we have received far more from her than we could ever give. The grief we feel in contemplating this move is deep. But, as a man under authority, we seek obedience to the voice of our Lord.

I will of course submit to you as you determine the next steps for our congregation. My desire is to finish faithfully and well.

Your brother in Christ,

James W. Forsyth