

## Confirmations Received By Jerod Yancy Re: Cameron Presson as Next Pastor of Hope Anthem.

**Note: The Board was not made aware of the confirmations received by Jerod Yancey until after the Board had announced its unanimous decision on March 1:**

### **February 4 - 2:49pm**

While I was in the Presbyter meeting, Jeremy called me at 2:50pm, while the Superintendent was announcing my decision to say yes!

He left a voicemail, that is saved on my phone that says, "Hey...I know this is a whirlwind crazy fast for you... but, what if, instead of the Board going through a major pastoral search, you may want to consider Cameron Presson as an option to succeed you."

### **February 4 - 3:23pm**

Text Message: DUDE! WOW! LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT! I. LOVE. THAT!

My heart LEAPT for joy when I listened to the voice mail at 3:23pm and immediately sent the above text!

### **February 5 - 10:00am (97 minutes)**

First meeting with Cameron Presson

WOW! It really seems like God has spoken to Cameron and Kelsey Presson.

Back in September, 2024, Cameron heard from God that it was time to become a Senior Pastor, but told to wait for the right opportunity.

When Cameron heard about Hope Anthem coming open on February 4, he wept, because he knew God was speaking to him.

I started wearing a bracelet last September with a scripture on it. The scripture?

*Jeremiah 33:3 - Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.*

### **February 5 - 8:23pm**

Just announced my resignation to the Board. At the end of the meeting after all questions were answered and we had prayed for God's will over this transition, for myself and Lindsey and for the new Pastor who God had chosen, they asked if I had any recommendations to walk through this process.

I brought ONE and ONLY ONE resume to them that night. I did this because I believed God had brought me this option, but I did not tell the Board that I believed God had brought them, and instead told them what had transpired with the call from Jeremy and what I knew about them.

The Board was very hesitant to look at only one. I encouraged them to just go through a process and pray about it for 4 days.

### **February 9 - 10:17am**

We met again on Sunday, February 9, to discuss what our prayers had led us to.

Unanimously, the Board wanted to keep taking steps to determine if this was God's will.

### **February 10 - 6:00-8:00pm**

The Board met together to discuss the future. Once again, they unanimously agreed to involve Me in this process.

The Board unanimously requested I continue leading and helping with the Pastoral Search.

The Board unanimously requested I Preach and Lead the Staff during this transition.

I did not request or even OFFER to do these things. God led the Board to ask this, and I joyfully accepted.

This is unheard of. 999,999 out of a million, a church Board does not want the resigning Pastor to help them in this process.

The Board believes God would be pleased to ask me to help them walk through this in a God-honoring way.

What an encouragement! This speaks to the health of our relationship, and the level of TRUST the Board has in me.

### **February 11 - 1:21pm**

I sent an email to the Board, mapping out how these types of processes typically go.

Their response: "Thank you for sending that. That relieves a lot of stress about this process we've been feeling.

Most of us haven't been involved in something like this before, and this helps us to visualize a process that makes sense."

### **February 11 - 4:00-5:14pm**

FaceTime call with the Presson's.

I texted the Board at 7:40pm this message...

Wow! I'm excited for you guys to meet them. I didn't really know them well at all when they were in Kansas 6 years ago.

They asked me GREAT questions today and they are really feeling a tug on their hearts. And I'm feeling a deep peace toward them.

BUT...before we step toward them any further, I sent them a packet of assessments and reference forms to fill out for our future use.

### **February 14 - 6:43 am**

Hey friends! I'm not sure if this will bless and encourage you like this has blessed Linds and I, but...

In prayer, at the beginning of this year, Lindsey and I committed, before she had a job, that we were going to give 20% of our income to the LORD this year. I just realized, the job offer I received and accepted to join the AGK Network Office is exactly 20% less than what my pay package is here in Ottawa.

I am reading in Numbers 7 this morning. All 12 tribe's leaders sacrificed to the LORD for 12 days in a row to begin the sacrifices at the Tent of Meeting. And the final verse of Numbers 7:89 says, "When Moses entered the tent of meeting to speak with the Lord, he heard the voice speaking to Him from between the two cherubim above the atonement cover on the Ark of the Covenant law. In this way the Lord spoke to him."

Immediately following the sacrifices, the LORD spoke to Moses. And it was after Lindsey and I declared our promise to the LORD and started the year with immediately giving 20% of our first paychecks that God started to speak with clarity to us about our transition. While He seems to have required a pretty big trust from us by taking 20%, the voice of God speaking and confirming His will to us is PRICELESS!

We need to TRUST Him. He's going to reveal His will to our hearts and minds. He has the next Pastors figured out. We just need to attend to what He is revealing. Pray! Fast! Read your Word! Worship! Do the normal things consistently, just as the Israelites were taught to do, and watch as God clearly speaks His will! It's going to be amazing!

### **February 18 - 12:48pm**

Jeremy - How is the process going?

Jerod - We want to get it right. ... I don't want to FORCE this decision on the Board, because they need to hear from God.

But it really does seem as if the Lord would be pleased if this all works out! At least, that's what I am sensing in my Spirit!

### **February 21 - 8:56am**

Numbers 22-25 - Balaam's Story - When we don't get our way, we boil and stew and try to convince God to do something against HIS will.

Or we even get mad at people who hear from God, and we want God to speak something different through them!

In His will, there is fullness of joy, grace and peace, and mercy that last forever.

Let it be said of us to ALWAYS love the Will of God and say, "YES" no matter what!

### **February 22 - 6:33am**

Numbers 27:15-20, 22-23 - God is calling us to pay attention to what HE is revealing!

This scripture confirmed a personal devotion time on October 22, 2024.

I was praying and journaling and entered this into my writings that day:

"Acts 24:1, 11, 17, 24, & 27 - The Lord brought all these scriptures to my attention as I was praying.

All these scriptures have to do with "timing" or "timeframe." What I'm gathering from this is...

I believe God is talking to me about succession. I need to prepare to be succeeded. Not sure when."

### **February 28 - 7:04am**

Deuteronomy 4:29, 31, 35, 40 - Stay the course! Keep praying, fasting, and listening. Fully trust that God is in control!

### **March 1 - 1:33pm**

The Board unanimously voted and believes wholeheartedly, with countless confirmations in prayer, scripture, and meetings, including rave reviews from every reference, that the candidates we've been pursuing for the last 22 days are God's choice to become the New Senior Pastors of Hope Anthem Church. In fact, the Board believes it so deeply that we are inviting them to come to Ottawa THIS COMING WEEK, March 5(W) - March 10(M).

**Other Confirmations:**

- All the COMMITMENTS made by Hope Anthem during our Kingdom Builders Vision Series.
- Hayleys and Corbins - “We don’t want you to go, but the LORD has told us this is right, and we have found the new pastors!”
- Russ and Tori Wilson - “How can anyone question what the LORD is doing here? This whole process is miraculous! We are all in!”
- Dustin Campbell - “I randomly wore this hat today, and inside my hat, I have scripture references. While you were preaching (March 2), I took my hat off to look inside it, because I was feeling anxious about all of this and I don’t want you guys to leave. Inside my hat, while you were talking about Joshua 1:9, to be strong and courageous and to trust God in this moment, I found that exact reference in my hat. AND...the verse of the Day on the YouVersion Bible app is Joshua 1:9! AND...my mom and dad are still coming to church, and I would have thought this would hurt them too much to keep coming back, but they are all in! God is moving! And I am here for it!”
- Norma Hills - “Pastor...did God really speak to you and the Board?” “Yes, Norma. He did!” “Well then, I have nothing to say but YES!”
- Every Board member has unanimously moved forward.
- Every Pastor friend has told me, “This is a move of God. This is unheard of.”
- Terry Yancey, who helped 100’s of Boards walk this road for 25 years said it’s the first time he’s ever seen this type of transition happen and he believes 100% this is God’s will for our church! Looking at all the details, how could it be otherwise?

*Note: Many other confirmations were received throughout this process, that were not journaled. But the above is an attempt to journal many of the more significant confirmations that were received.*