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Dear Friends and Families of Providence Christian Church (PCC) and School (PCS),

The church and school leadership has made an important decision that we need to share with you. After 32 years of bringing Christ glory, Providence Christian School will cease to operate at the end of the current school year.

While many talented, loving, and generous members of the church and school have worked to keep the school financially stable and educationally sound, PCS has been struggling financially for many years. With a desire to hoist the school out of survival mode, the school board and church leadership jointly enlisted the expertise of an organization called "Renew a Nation" (RAN). In the fall of 2017, they visited our campus and gave us a thorough report on the status of the school. After considering the RAN report and its conclusion that the church cannot financially sustain the school on its own, the Elders consulted with school board members, deacons, parents, and others who love PCS in order to come to the best possible decision. Our prayer was to continue with PCS if at all possible or, as the RAN report recommended, entertain a relationship with another local Christian organization. A committee, composed of those who love the school, was formed to attempt to raise the required funds to keep the school open, but in the end, the need far outweighed the resources. Additionally, desiring to provide an ongoing Christian ministry at PCS, we opened discussions with another local Christian organization and, though we thought we were in the final stages of sealing an affiliation with them, the Lord inexplicably closed that door.

Therefore, after several months of study and prayer, we have come to a consensus that PCS will cease operation at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. The Providence Christian Church and School leadership is truly thankful for all those who have contributed their time, money, talents, and prayers to sustain PCS for over 3 decades. PCS has been a blessing to many in proclaiming the importance of a Christian worldview, grounded in a faith in Jesus Christ. Until the last day of school in May, we will support the day-to-day operations, believing they should continue as normally as possible for the benefit of our teachers and students. To that end, we will continue with the PCS Fun Run because the students were anticipating it and because it will support the payment of teacher salaries through the end of their contracts.

We ask both the congregation and PCS families to continue praying for the teachers and students in this time of transition. The Lord is good and faithful to those who are His. As this school year closes, we are sad that the ministry of PCS is ending, but we will trust and rest in the knowledge that nothing can separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

In His Service,

The Session and Diaconate of PCC, The School Board of PCS