



December 9, 2021

Dear Savannah Christian Preparatory School families, administration, faculty, and friends:

Grace and Peace to you from God our Father and Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As the season of advent is upon us, it provides all of us a time for reflection, rest, and renewal in preparation for the Birth of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at Christmas. During this time, as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Savannah Christian Preparatory School, I need to share some important information with you. But first, I am afforded the opportunity to reflect upon what a wonderful first semester this has been here on campus for our students, administration, and our faculty.

As we prepare to complete the first semester with closing assignments and midterm exams, we are also afforded an opportunity to reflect upon the leadership and guidance of our headmaster Dr. Chris Harmon and his guidance and accomplishments for our school during his six years as our Headmaster. We are sincerely grateful for all of the challenges met and the challenges successfully completed and applaud his service and love to our students and for our school.

However, just as with every beginning we look forward to new and fresh experiences that are presented, there also comes a time when we must celebrate the accomplishments of a journey through life and prepare for the inevitable changes that are presented along our way.

Therefore, it is now my responsibility as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees to announce to you that Dr. Chris Harmon, after much prayer and consideration, has made the decision, in close consultation with Melanie and family, that Almighty God is calling him in a new direction on his spiritual and professional journey. This move will allow Dr. Harmon and his wife Melanie to relocate much closer to their son Chris, Jr., and daughter Hannah in North Georgia. This will once again reunite their family in a much closer geographical environment.

It is, therefore, with much regret, but in heartfelt Thanksgiving for these past six years of service, that I inform you that Dr. Chris Harmon has presented to me, as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Savannah Christian Preparatory School, his pending resignation and intent to finalize his years of service at the completion of the 2022 academic year.

Therefore, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I have accepted his resignation tentatively effective June 30, 2022. Until that time he will remain in his duties as our Head of School and continue to lead and guide us through the second semester of this academic year. He has pledged his continued faith, love, and support during this time of transition as we journey towards new leadership for our school.

And now, I wish to pledge to you all, as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the commitment of your Board to keep the entire transition process transparent and remain in communication providing a clear understanding of the progress towards securing our new headmaster for Savannah Christian Preparatory School.

It is also important for me to relay to you that I have already initiated the compilation of a Search Committee for this crucial process and our Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees has already begun by meeting with a Headmaster Candidacy Consultant.

There will be many opportunities along the way to celebrate all of the accomplishments of Dr. and Mrs. Harmon and to publicly thank him and his family for their love, their commitment, and all of their hard work while here with our Raider Families. We will take time to properly celebrate their accomplishments and thank them as they prepare to begin this new journey along which Almighty God is calling them.

In closing, let me take this opportunity to say a very humble "thank you" to all of our Raider Families. We truly appreciate the opportunity you continue to give this institution to educate your children and the sincere value and trust that you place in our administration, staff, and faculty to provide spiritual, moral, and educational guidance. We understand that you have many choices and we truly wish to express our gratitude to you for that trust.

Finally, as we reflect upon the accomplishments of this first semester, we are also very grateful for the service, dedication, and commitment of all of our administration, faculty, and staff, without whom none of this would be possible.

As a Board, we ask now only for your prayers for grace, for discernment, and for His guidance as we move forward, together.

And now as we prepare for the Birth of the Christ Child at Christmas, on behalf of the entire Board of Trustees of Savannah Christian Preparatory School, from our homes to yours, we wish for you a Blessed and very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

It's A Great Day to Be A Raider!

In His Service and with His Blessings,

Sincerely,

Donald R. Martin, Jr.

Chairman, Board of Trustees

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