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Dear Black Rock Church Family,

I'm so grateful for 40 wonderful years serving at Black Rock! Now however, the Lord has made it clear that the time has come for my concluding role as your senior pastor—preparing us for new leadership and our exciting next chapter as a church.

Through God's leading in prayer, Jen and I have determined that 2024 will be our final year at Black Rock. Although we don't know exactly where God is moving us next, we're quite sure that we'll still be living somewhere in Connecticut and most definitely still be serving Jesus!

As for Black Rock's future—it has never been brighter! The Elders have been aware of my upcoming transition for a year, and the congregation will soon be informed of its part in the Elders' plan to seek God's will regarding the future leadership of His church at Black Rock.

This is a hard letter to write! Black Rock, you are the only church Jen and I have known since high school. You are our friends and our family. We love you, and even after we say farewell in January 2025, our hearts will truly be part of Black Rock—and Black Rock will forever be part of us.

There's a lot more to say; thankfully, there's a good amount of time left to say it! As a start, I look forward to our worship services on April 28 and May 5, when I'll share more about God's exciting next chapter for Black Rock Church—and also for Jen and me.

All for Jesus!

Pastor Steve