

 McLean Bible Church

# SUNDAY, JULY 18

Dear MBC Family -

It was so good to be in worship with many of you today, and to hear God's Word to us about love from 1 Corinthians 13. After celebrating the Lord's Supper together, we had the opportunity to vote on new elders. Following the official vote count, including all MBC locations (as observed by an independent third party retained separately for this purpose), we are pleased to report that all three elder nominees received over 80% affirmation from our church family.

We made provisional ballots available today for anyone who had a question about their membership and/or wanted to preserve their ability to vote. All of the provisional ballots have now been officially counted as well, and even if only the provisional ballots that voted "no" were to be included in the official count, the results are still above 78% for all nominees. In other words, there is no scenario in which the results of this vote fall below the required 75% for each nominee.

Therefore, we are pleased to officially announce the affirmation of our new MBC elders today: Chuck Hollingsworth, Ken Tucker, and Jim Burris. We look forward to celebrating this affirmation with these brothers and their families during our gatherings next Sunday, and we invite you to begin praying for them as they lead in our church family.

We know that today was a heavy day for some in our church, but God was with us, He spoke clearly to us (let's not soon forget the verses we memorized together this morning!), and He is unmistakably leading us for our good and His glory. We have heard about many encouraging moments at all of our locations today, and for those of us worshiping at Tysons, our second gathering ended with a full room of brothers and sisters singing and shouting to the King of kings and Lord of the Church in a powerful moment of unified praise that we pray will mark us in the days ahead.

In closing, we encourage you to watch [this video](#) of a couple of baptism testimonies from our gatherings today to remind us of our mission. Let's lock arms together in reaching our city with the love of God that never ends.

Prayerfully,  
The MBC Elder Team