

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

October 25, 2017

Sister Whiting,

Thank you for recently meeting with me and Brother Radford after you and Nelson distributed a letter to the neighborhood. Based on visiting with you and Nelson, I feel I understand your position. No matter how this situation is resolved, I hope you and Nelson know the love and concern that I have for your family.

This letter is a formal notice that the bishopric will convene a formal disciplinary council in your behalf, including the possibility of excommunication, because you are reported to have been in apostasy and you have acted in clear, open, and deliberate public opposition to the Church or its leaders.

You are invited to attend the council personally. Whether you attend is of course your choice. If you choose not to attend you are welcome to send a written letter that I can read to the council in your absence. If you do choose to attend, however, your attendance and participation are conditioned upon your agreement to respect the process and abide by the standards governing the proceedings. Disciplinary councils are sacred ecclesiastical proceedings and are intended to be strictly confidential. These standards are required of all who participate in disciplinary councils.

To further emphasize these important principles, prior to the council I will ask everyone who participates – members of the bishopric, you, and any witnesses who may testify – to sign a confidentiality agreement. (Witnesses must be members of the Church in good standing.) If a member of the bishopric declines, I will select another high priest to replace him. If you decline, you will not be allowed to be present and any statement on your behalf to the council will have to be submitted in writing.

The council will be held on November 5, 7:00 AM in my office at the Stake Center.

Nelson can anticipate a similar invitation to a stake council. If you prefer you can attend the stake council together.

Sincerely,



Ricky Monroe
Bishop, Aspen Heights Ward