

Kindly in Accidentals

"If a Man be Overtaken in a Fault, Restore Such a One." Gal. 6:1

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Faithful in Fundamentals
"Ye Should Earnestly Contend
for the Faith." Jude 1:3

Friendly in Incidentals
"He That is Not Against Us, is
for Us." Luke 9:50

March 1, 1943

Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Mt. Vernon, Washington.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, fellow Christians:

It is my duty to answer the call for another year of pastoral service which you issued to me shortly after the first of the year. I wish to thank you for your love and confidence that this expresses. I feel this keenly and I am deeply moved by it. However, I feel that I should decline, my work probably being through here. Few souls have been saved during the last year, many do not respond to my leadership as they should, although ^{who have been saved here and other places}

~~but~~ I do thank God for those ~~who have been saved here and other places~~ ^{who have been saved here and other places} and for many loyal, consecrated workers ^{amongst the young people a revival, I believe, has truly begun.} I am chiefly, too, of the many your families & people ^{that have been sent to us the last few months. Had been done, they are fine people.}

Therefore, I present this my resignation to take effect ^{your} May 31, three months hence, in fairness to ~~the church~~ ^{you} and a constructive conclusion to our work.

This has been the hardest decision I have ever had to make. I assure you it is done not without much

prayerful thought and consideration as well as deep stirring
of soul, for we indeed love this place and people more than
we can tell.

I have accepted a call to the Grace Baptist Church of
Anaconda, Montana. This will mean much self-denial, a
church about $\frac{1}{3}$ as large as this, a poor building, no parsonage
and in a part of the country with a climate and topography
that few would choose.

May God bless this church in the future and may
he lead you in ~~all~~ of your decisions in my earnest
prayer.

cordially and sincerely,

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